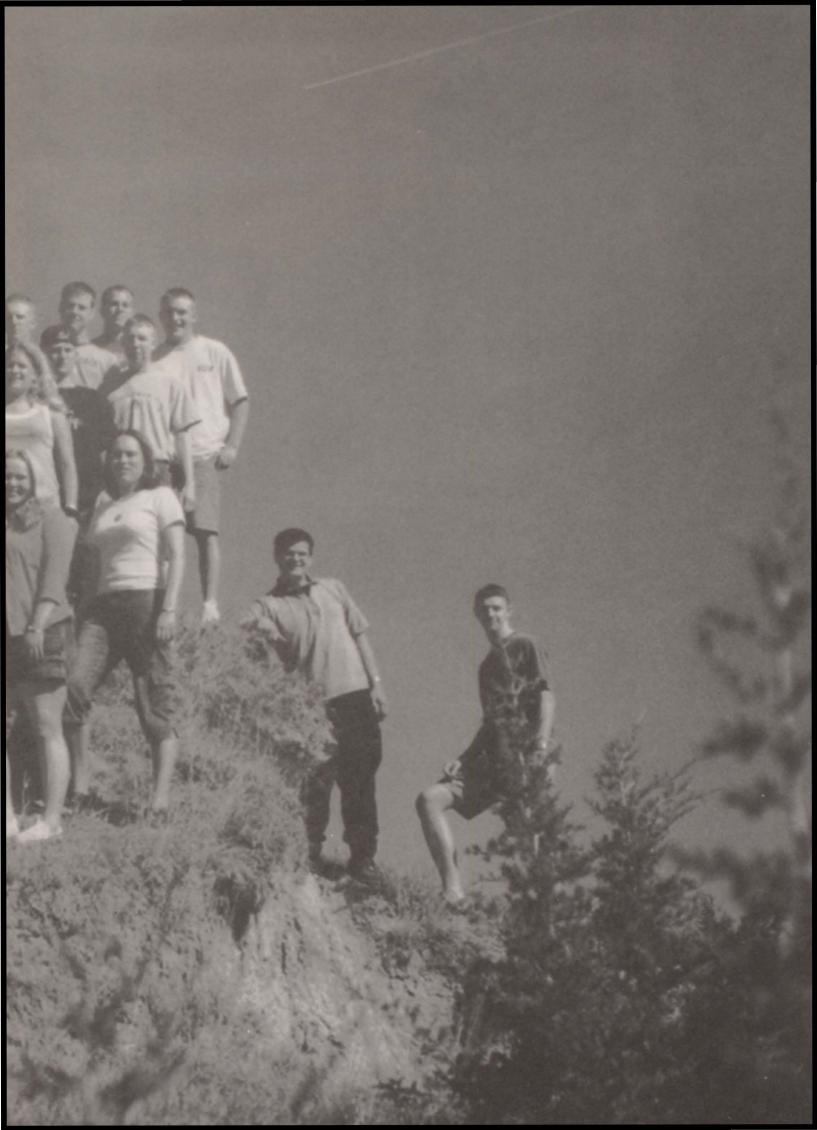
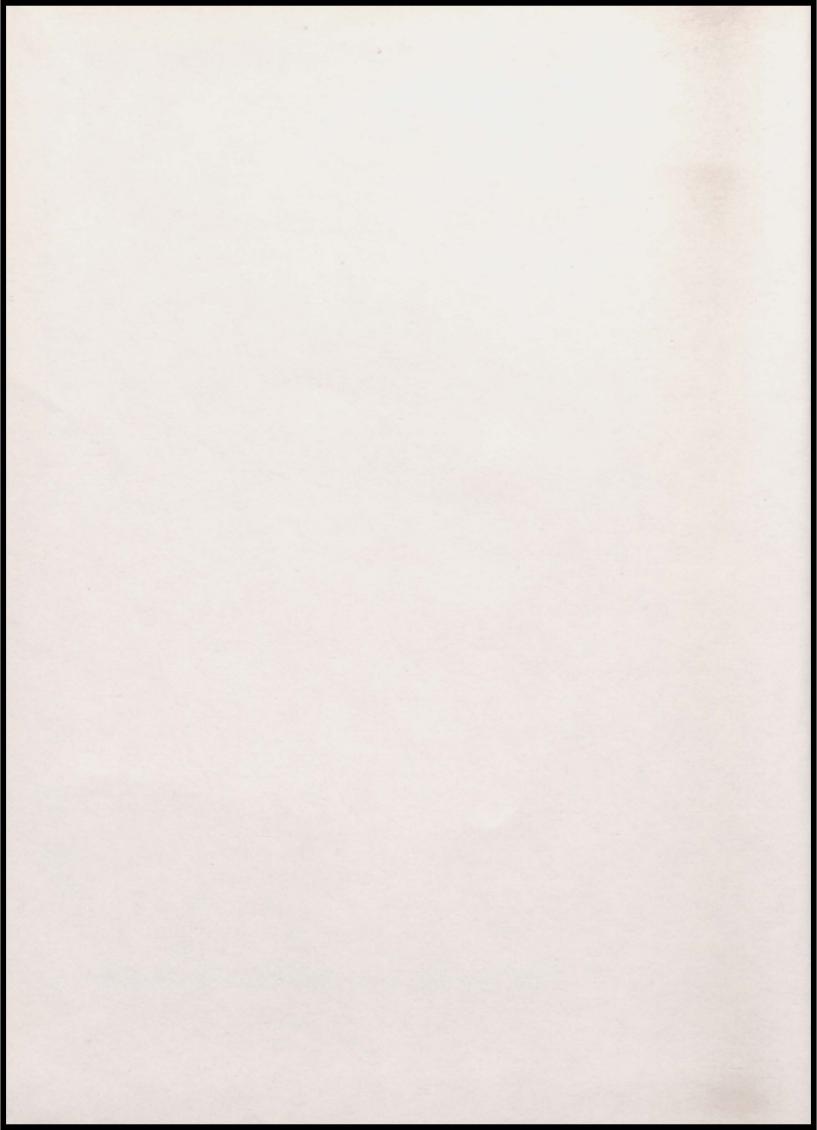
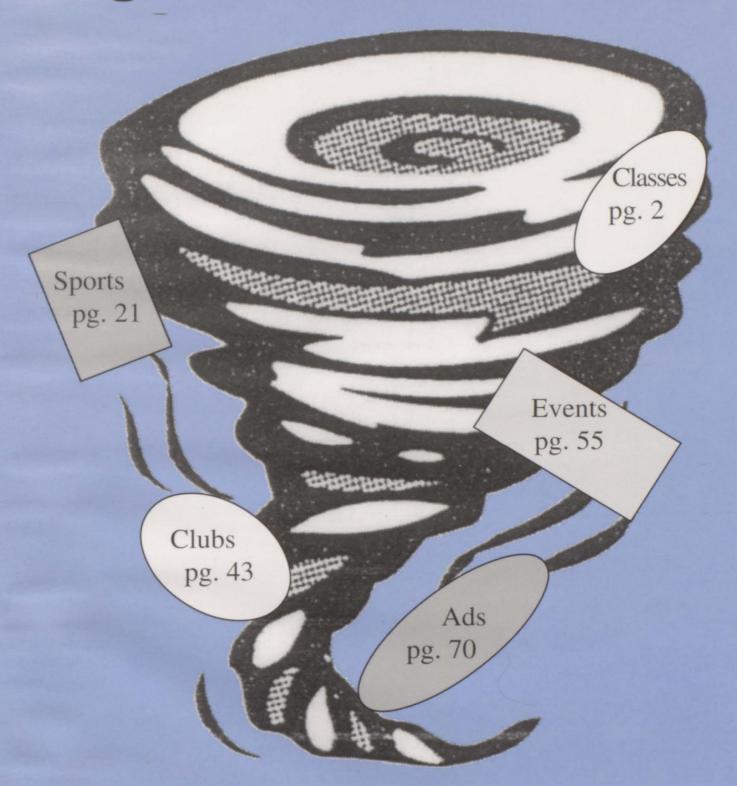
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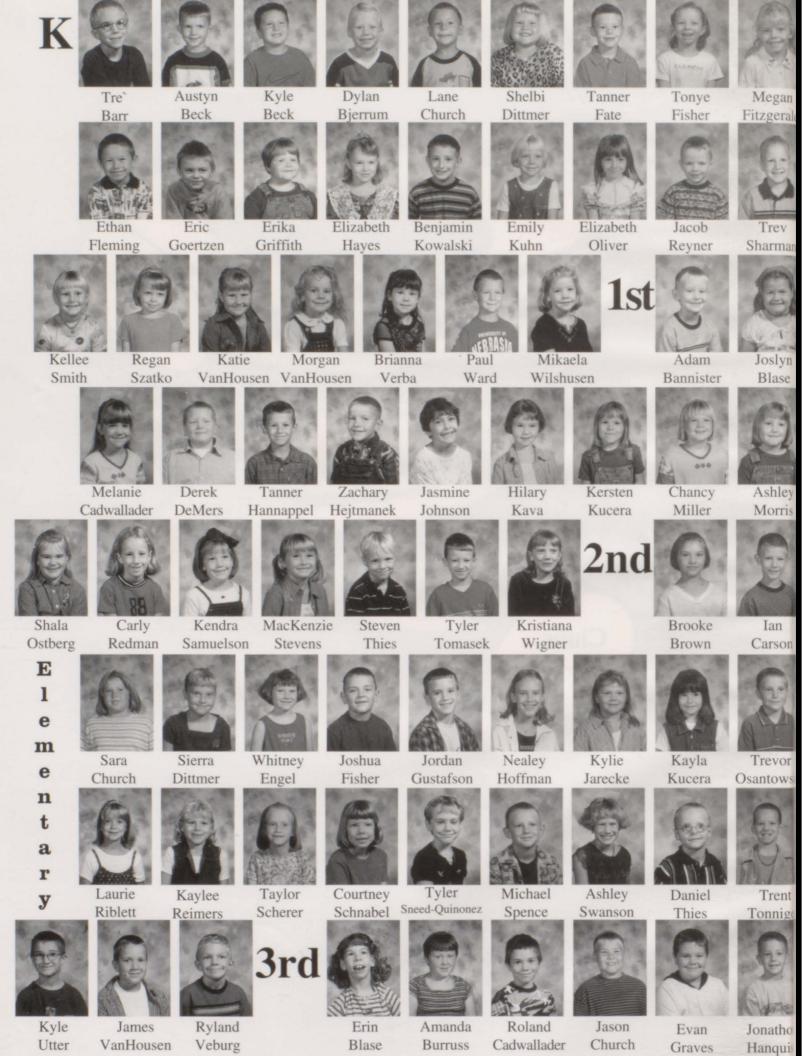


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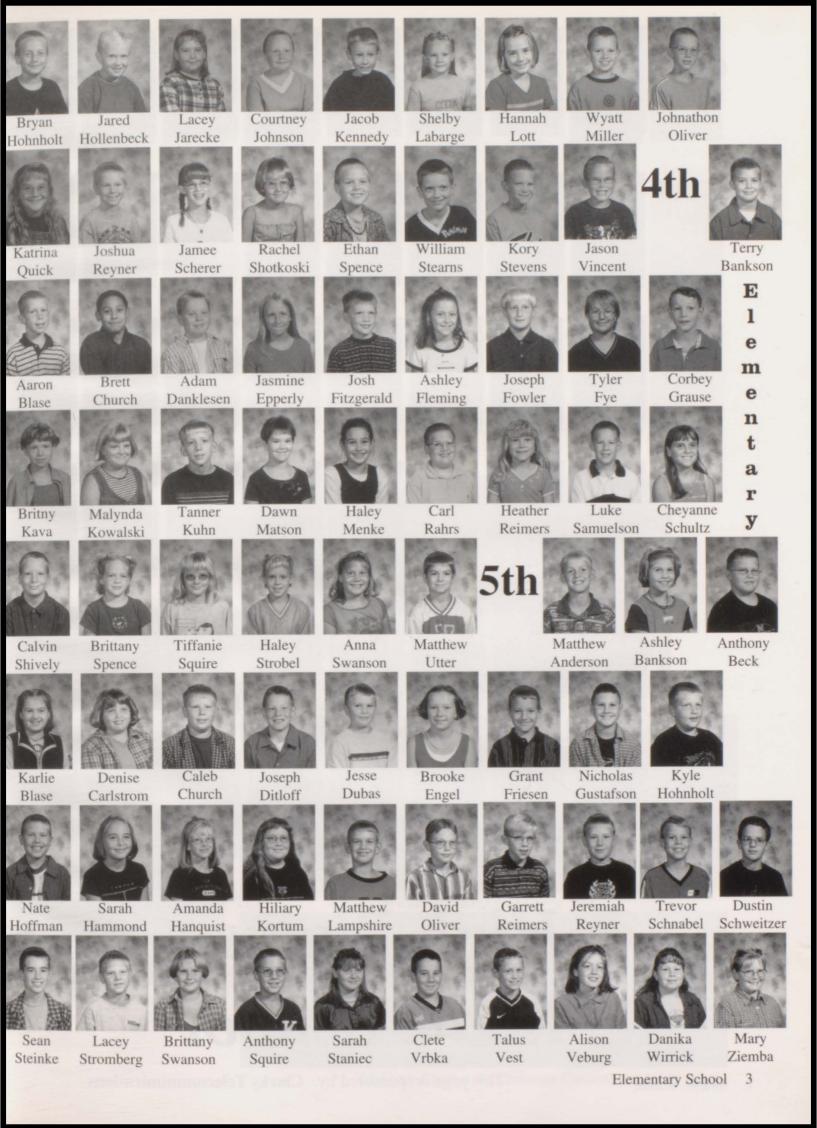


In the Path of the Storm

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Elementary School



6th



Beck



Justin Blase



Jessica Braasch



Megan Burruss



Megan Carson



Heather Church



Glasser Hejtmanek



Brice Dillon Necker



Nielsen

Skye



Janet

Trent Norquest



Travis

Isaac Samuelson



Trevor

Todd Schulze



Melinda

Lampshire

Cassidy Spence



Hana

Lindburg

Kendra Stevens



Cody

Means

Garrison Swanson



Thomas



Thies



Thomas Utter



Jonella Yrkoski



Brandon Bankson



Kayla Beck



Kevin Church







Joshua Gustafson



Erin



Meghan Hammond



Heidi Hanquist



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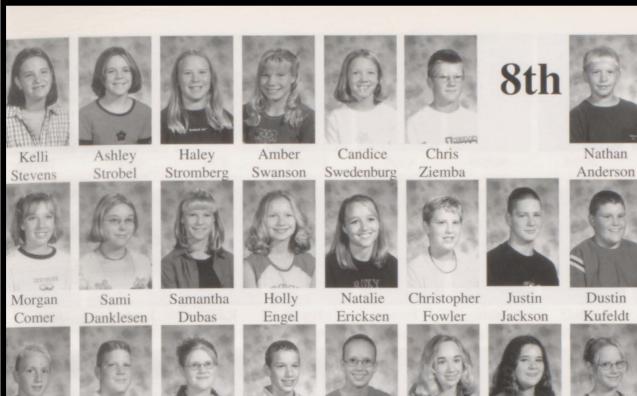


Brent Scherer





High Plains Middle School





Meyer



Dustin

Abby

Necker

Corinna

Brent



The 6th Graders not real interested in what they are doing.



8th Graders at Sthur Museum fixing their lunch.



7th and 8th Grade Choir taking 'five'



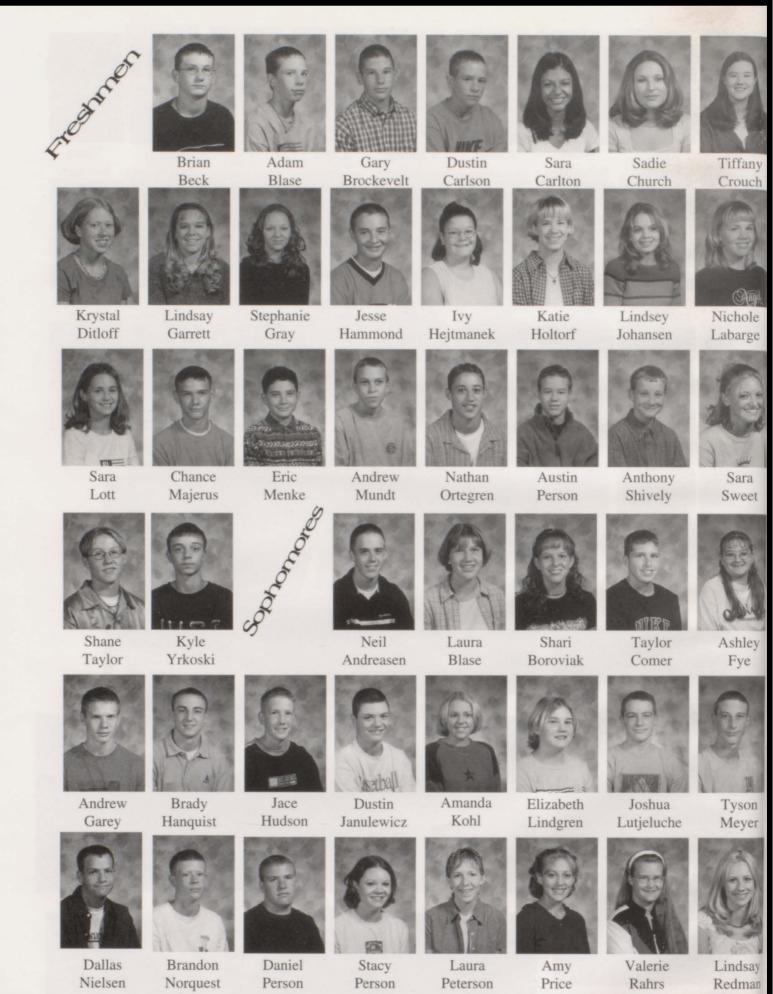
6th Grade Choir at the Christmas Concert.

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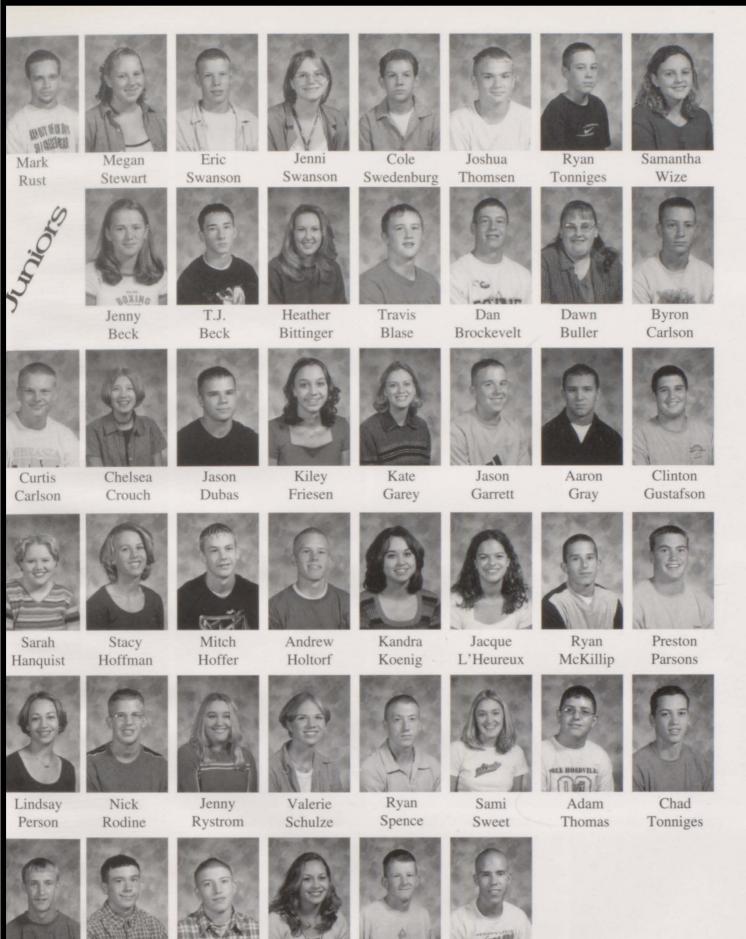
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The First High Plains Community



High School Members

Daniel

Ziemba

Dyrek

Zoucha

Shane

Van Pelt

Matthew

Veburg

Brad

Warnick

Sarah

Wolfe



Tracie Bankson



Melissa Blase



Jimmy Beck



Mark Collett



Erin Garrett



Leah Glasier



Tyson Glasser



Jessie Grant



Crystal Lindburg



Jennifer McKillip



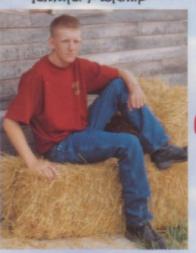
Brandon Nielsen



Amanda Price



Caley Swedenburg



Curtis Swedenburg

Genior Class Motto:

We always knew we'd look back on our tears and laugh, but we never thought we'd look back on our laughter and cry.



Clint Church



Josh Dittmer



Levi Ericksen



Amber Fuehrer



Brandon Hanquist



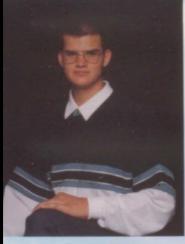
Christa Hudson



Kayla Johansen



Paige Jacobi



1im Rahrs



Katrina Reeves



Johanna Saeger



Clay Stevens

Class Flower: Fire and Ice Rose

Class Colors: Cardinal, Navy, Et Ivory

Class Song: Farewell To You



Tasha Thomsen



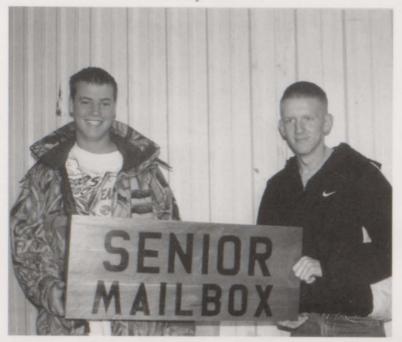
Jennifer Werner

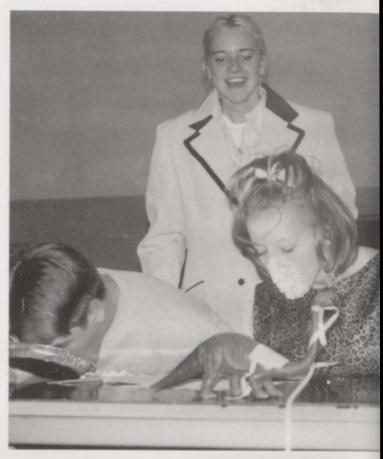


Steven Wruble

Right: Mark Collett, Face in the Pie!

KT Reeves, Living in the Land of the Lost!
and Crystal Lindburg, Watching Over Us!
Below: Brandon Nielsen and
Curtis Swedenburg show off their hard
work in shop class.







Caley Swedenburg shows everyone how to do the crab walk.

The Senior year is an exciting one. Everything takes on special interest, because it's the last time they will take part in the event. They are all anxious for graduation and their life after high school.



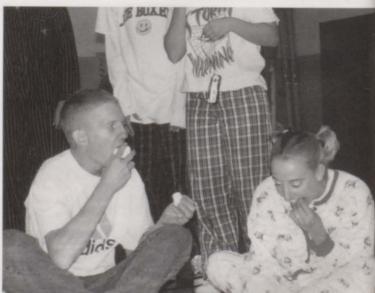
"The Ladies Man"

Above right: They're right when they say, "Three's a Crowd"!

Do you agree Jen Werner and Christa Hudson?

Right: Curtis Swedenburg and Amber Fuehrer stuff marshmallows in their mouths for an activity during Homecoming Week.





The Senior Storm Passing Through!





Far left: Tyson Glasser and Clay Stevens dressed up for Homecoming Week.

Left: Up close and personal with Tasha Thomsen.

Below: Another school morning with Jimmy Beck.











Above left: Mark Collett and Erin Garrett get a close up shot of their heads.

Above: Homecoming week with the seniors.

Far left: Clint Church says to Tyson Glasser, "Before rogaine, I looked like this."

Left: Jessie Grant hard at work in accounting class.

Class of 2002 (not pictured Brad Warnick and Jason Garrett).

Junior Class of 2002

With the merger of Polk-Hordville and Clarks, the Junior class has regained their title of having the largest class in the high school. There are now 37 kids in the class and they feel that the merger has created a great opportunity to make new friends.

They were kept busy carrying out the tradition of organizing the Junior-Senior Prom again this year. Magazines were sold to raise money and they hope the prom was a big success and everyone had a good time.







Above: "Wow, don't the choir girls, look good in their PJ's?"

Above right: Dawn Buller and Kiley Friesen hitting the books.

Right: Mitch Hoffer and Kandra Koenig showing their talent of stuffing marshmallows in their mouths, which was an activity during homecoming week.





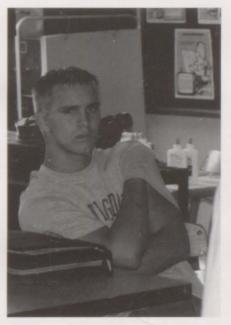
<u>Left:</u> Heather Bittinger and Sami Sweet making a cake for FCS Independant Projects. <u>Below:</u> Jenny Rystrom and Kate Garey, "Shouldn't you girls, be in class?"







'Whoa Nick Rodine, what are you doing with that costume?"





Travis Blase showing good manners doing spirit week.



Above left: Brad Warnick caught in action! "It wasn't me!"

Above middle: Aaron Gray showing his buffness to the camera.

Above right: Ryan McKillip and Preston Parsons take some time too pose for the camera during their study hall.

Sophomore - Class of 2003

The sophomore class had a pretty exciting year. With the merger, they found themselves not having classes together with all their classmates. Room size made it hard to accommodate the 29 students, so they had to have two sections of English, Biology, Math and Computer Lit. The rest of their day was made up of elective classes.

Getting to know the new students was another task for them. Many new friendship were made.

Their one and only money maker was selling Pizza Hut Pizza at a home football game. The money starts the process of raising money for the prom expenses that will come for next year.



Ashley Fye with her "Baby Think It Over Doll" in FCS class.



Jenni Swanson dressing up as a hippie for Spirit Week.



Josh Thomsen, Dustin Janulewicz and Brandon Norquest ready for class



Class of 2003!



Mark Rust saluting the camera.



Laura Blase, Andrew Garey, and Tyson Meyer let us snatheir photo for the yearbook.



Sam Wize and Megan Stewart looking sneaky.



Ryan Tonniges and Cole Swedenburg reading their English book; "I don't get this!"



Lindsay Redmen and Megan Stewart hanging out.



Sophomores showing school spirit during homecoming week.



Brady Hanquist liking the idea that Beth Lindgren, Stacy Person and Laura Blase want to crowd around him.



Shari Boroviak working on her clay project in art.



Laura Peterson looking as inncocent as ever.

Freshmen

The Freshmen year is always a year of adjustments. This year had a few added adjustments, new class members, a new school building, small lockers, and crowded hallways.

With the merger, 25 Freshmen entered High Plains in August. This is the only class in high school who was not split into two sections for the required classes, letting them get to know everybody better and form closer friendships.

Everyone had to get used to traveling between buildings and they had to become more organized in remembering their books. They also got to choose their own classes, deciding which electives to take.

This first year of consolidation proved successful as everybody made new friends and enjoyed the activities, classes and events they could partake in during their first year of their high school career.



Nate Ortegren wants to know "What's up!"

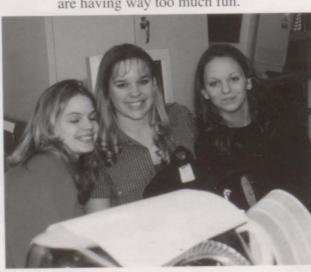
Class of 2004



"What's so funny **Tiffany Crouch** and **Katie Holtorf**?"



Looks like Sadie Church and Sara Sweet are having way too much fun.



"None of that in school Sara Lott Krystal Ditloff."



Above: Austin Person displaying his wonderful masterpiece.

Right: Lindsey Johansen is trying to catch up on her beauty sleep while Lindsay Garrett and Stephanie Gray are hard at work, NOT!



Class of 2004



"Anthony Shively why are you playing in the snow?"



Adam Blase thinking about his weekend plans.



This is normal for a freshmen, especially Jesse Hammond.



Shane Taylor trying to figure out his science assignment.



A typical day in science.

Staff

staff of 46, teachers and administrators. welcomed 340 students to the High Plains Community Schools for the 2000-2001 school year. Adjustment would be a good word to describe the year for the teachers and staff. The merger created a new atmosphere for the staff, they had to adjust to new faces of students, co-workers, and for some a new classroom. Work began last March to help make the

adjustment go better. Teachers got together for a day to plan teaching assignments and curriculum for the new High Plains Community School.

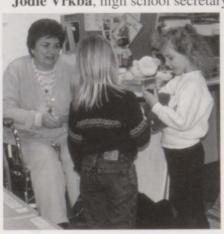
Thinking there would be excess staff for the first year we had to hire new teachers before the year started. Six new teachers were hired, four high school and two elementary teachers. Then during the year we also had some changes, Sharon Shoup, the high school secretary, left after giving 17 years of service to the district.

Dan Collett took on the job of high school janitor when Jodi Vrbka took the school secretary job. A student teacher for business, Sara Bolton, joined us from January to May. The needed adjustments were made and the year passed without any major problems and concerns.

We said goodbye to Joan Bankson and Kathy Brazda, who retired, at the end of the year. They had both put in a lot of years for our school system. Thanks and Good Luck.



"I'm on a mission from God." Jodie Vrkba, high school secretary.







Joan Bankson



Dale Buller EL/MS Principal



Bonnie Campbe 5th Grade



David Gallion EL/MS Music



Anne Garret HS English/5th Gra



LeAnn Karmann



Keith Killion Art/MS Social Stu



Fran Lott



David May MS Math/Com



Chris Thoms



Robert Toda

Bonnie Blase Al L'Heurem Orlo Spence Ron Miller Kathy Miller Steve Tomase



VanHousen, Linda Yrkoski, and Todd Andreasen.

Right: Teach through the pain. Sandy Anderson broke her ankle during the year and came back using a wheel chair for a while.



arol Bankson-Recknor



Teri Beck

4th Grade

Dan Collett



MS Reading/English



Robert Bjorklund Annette Branting Don Branting



MS Custodian



MS Custodian



Kathy Brazda



David Bridges



Cheryl Fowler Michele Downs HS Mathematics



Sally Carlson

chool Psychologist

Doug Gilson 4-5/HS Principal



Linda Gilson HS Family &



Becky Carlstrom

Marla Glasser Aide



Mike Cotter

MS Science

Dennis Gray Superintendent



Guidance Counselor

Harry Cunningham Ilene Dearking

Janna Gustafson Aide



MS Family &

Greg Hanson MS Industrial Tech



Fred Hess Band/HS Music



Peg Holtorf Special Education



Dianne L'Heureux Ann Lemmerman 4th Grade



Kelly Lesiak 2nd Grade



Karyee LeSuer Special Education



Shirley LeSuer



Carol Lind HS English



Mike Lind 5th Grade



Dorla Lindburg 3rd Grade



Leigh Metcalf



Steve Meyer



Linda Necker



James Pekarek HS Science



Loretta Pollard Aide



Nancy Quinn Media Specialist



Rhonda Schulze



Ellie Sizer



Cindy Tonniges





Pat Vest HS Math/Computer





Jodi Vrbka HS Secretary



Don Walford Business



Donna Werner EL Custodian



Diane Wiese MS English/Title 1

Darlene Fowler **Sharon Johnson Alvertus Jones** Shari Quick Marjorie Johnson Shirley Lampshire

Karrie Gress Linda Dittmer Mary Truesdell Robert Truesdell Tracy Wirrick

Candids



"Get to work"



"What's for lunch?"



They had to be in the book one more time.

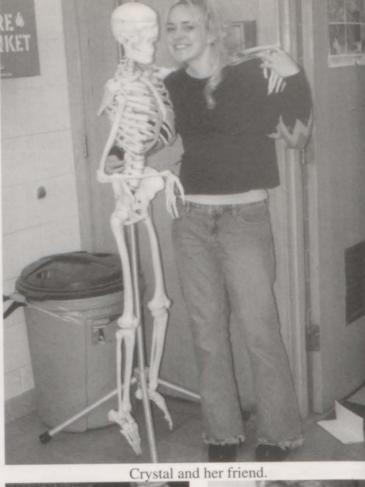


Christa in the hall?





"Cheer Tracie, Cheer!"





"Steve," enough said.



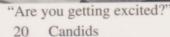
"Katie, smile for the came



"What a group!"



Jen and Tasha, caught in the act.





Storm Warning!

Adding softball to our school athletic schedule gave more opportunities for the girls to participate in sports and more variety and school spirit to our newly developed school.

The first year proved to be a learning experience ending with a varsity record of 2-8 and a JV record of 0-4. But valuable experience was gained from the competition they played.



Above: Valerie Rahrs running to first base after a successful hit.

Above right: Valerie Schulze making a good stretch from first base.

Right: Tasha Thomsen tags a runner out at second base.

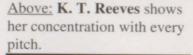




Post Season Honors Lindsay Person & Amanda Kohl

All-State honorable mention.





SCOREBOARD		
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GI Northwest	L	
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David City	W	
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Wahoo Newman	L	
McCook	L	
Wahoo	W	
Holdrege	L	
Aurora	L	



her strength while pitching the ball and Erin Garrett is waiting for the hit. Above right: Megan Stewart, "I caught the ball!" Right: Lindsay Person turns to throw the ball after making her out.

Above: Sara Sweet shows

Far right: Erin Garrett moves to get in front of the ball.

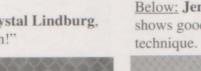






elow: Amanda Kohl sticks er tongue out as she catches

Below: Crystal Lindburg, "Bring it on!"



Below: Jenny Rystrom shows good batting

Below: Jennifer McKillip, "Don't hit it to me!"





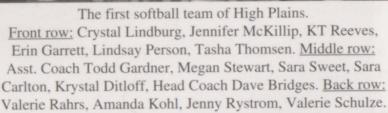














Above Left: Erin Garrett, "I'm going to hurt you." Far Left: Amanda Kohl says, "I'm going to strike you out" while Sara Sweet watches in case of a hit. Left: Krystal Ditloff, "I'm bored, let's go home."

Softball



Front row: Matt Veburg, Chad Tonniges, Tyson Glasser, Clint Church, Shane Van Pelt, Preston Parsons, Jason Garrett,
 Brad Warnick. Second row: Dan Brockevelt, Clint Gustafson, Andrew Holtorf, Curtis Carlson, Mitch Hoffer, Byron Carlson TJ Beck, Travis Blase. Third row: Brady Hanquist, Taylor Comer, Tyson Meyer, Brandon Norquest, Jace Hudson,
 Neil Andreasen, Ryan McKillip, Aaron Gray. Fourth row: Josh Thomsen, Jesse Hammond, Josh Lutjelusche, Kyle Yrkoski Andrew Garey, Austin Person, Anthony Shively, Dan Person. Fifth row: Nick Rodine, Brian Beck, Gary Brockevelt,
 Nate Ortegren. Sixth row: Head Coach Andy Vrbka, Asst. Coach Chris Thoms, Asst. Coach David May.

Storm Football

The football team stormed off to a great season. They went 8-1 winning the district title. They were led on offense by senior running backs Clint Church and Tyson Glasser who rushed for a combined total of 1,164 yards and 18 rushing touchdowns. On defense they were led by defensive back Tyson Glasser and linebacker Brady Hanquist who racked up a combined total of 53 solo tackles, 81 assists, 5 fumble recoveries, and 2 interceptions.

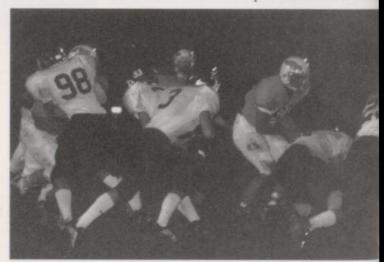
In their first year the Storm went undefeated through the regular season and made it to the playoffs only to have their Cinderella Season ended in a disappointing loss to Kenesaw.



The defense is getting a nice calm pep talk.

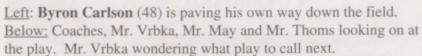


The Storm Defense lines up to attack.



The linemen opening up a hole for quarterback **Preston Parsons** (









Brady Hanquist (27) and Mitch Hoffer (81) showin' the love.



The offense is lined up to score.

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SCOREBOARD				
High Plains	60	Hampton	14	
High Plains	60	Dorchester	14	
High Plains	46	Giltner	0	
High Plains	56	Meridian	6	
High Plains	50	Milligan/Exe	eter 0	
High Plains	42	Friend	30	
High Plains	20	Palmer	8	
High Plains	28	NE Christian	1 22	
High Plains	14	Kenesaw	36	
Final Record 8-1				



Nate Ortegren (1) looking for a running lane.

Post Season Honors

Tyson Glasser: All-District running back 1st team, defensive back 1st team, kick returner honorable mention, CRC running back, All-Heartland Small School 1st team offensive wingback, & AP All-

State honorable mention. Clint Church: All-District defensive back 1st team & punt returner 2nd team, CRC defensive back, All-Heartland Small School 2nd team defensive cornerback. Preston Parsons: All-District quarterback 1st team, punter 2nd team, CRC quarterback, All-Heartland Small School honorable mention, & AP All-State honorable mention. Dan Brockevelt: All-District linebacker 1st team. Mitch Hoffer: All-District offensive & defensive end 2nd team. Jason Garrett: All-District offensive guard 2nd team. Aaron Gray: All-District nose guard 2nd team. Chad Tonniges: All-District offensive guard honorable mention.

	S	CORE	BOARD		
HPC	School	OPP	HPC	School	OPP
0	Heartland	2	1	Milligan	2
0	Hampton	2	0	Shickley	2
2	Cedar Rapids	0	2	Exeter	0
2	Palmer	1	1	Clay Center	2
Stroms	burg Tourney- 3rd	200	0	Friend	2
alan	Stromsburg	12	CRC To	ourney	
2	East Butler	0	2	Rising City	0
100000			0	Hampton	2
0	Giltner	2		Aller College of the	
2	Rising City	0	1	Osceola	2
2	McCool	0	Sub-Districts		
2	Meridian	0	2	Friend	1
0	Dorchester	2	0	Malcolm	2
2	Benedict	0	Fi	nal Record 10-12	

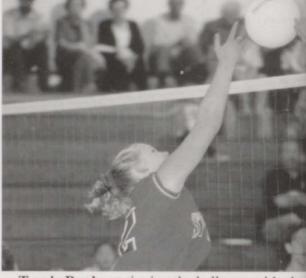


High Plains Volleyball Team. Side to side: Lindsay Garrett, Stephanie Gray, Coach Trista Lesiak, Sadie Church, Lindsey Johansen, Beth Lindgren, Ashley Fye, Dawn Buller, Coach March Howard, Ivy Hejtmanek, Nichole Labarge. Front row: Stacy Person, Tracie Bankson, Stacy Hoffman, Lindsay Redman. Middle row: Sarah Wolfe, Heather Bittinger, Sami Sweet, Caley Swedenburg, Amber Fuehrer, Christa Hudson. Back row: Jacque L'Heureux, Kiley Friesen, Jenny Beck, Amy Price, Kandra Koenig, Sara Sweet.





Lindsay Redman going for the kill with Sami Sweet there in case of a block.



Tracie Bankson tipping the ball pass a blocker



Above: Caley Swedenburg smacking the ball over Left: Senior Christa Hudson serving the ball.

Stacy Person setting the ball up for the kill.

Vollayball 2000!

The High Plains volleyball team had a great year. The team included four seniors, ten juniors, five sophomores, and six freshmen. The girls had three new coaches, Trista Lesiak, Marcy Howard, and Angie Eberly. All through the season, many volunteers came in to help the team out.

Nine returning lettermen returned to the season, which put a lot of talent and leadership on the court. The team members came together, got to know each other, and played well ending the season with a final record of 10-12. The junior varsity players did a good job and ending the year with a record of 5-5. Great work ladies!

Post Season Honors

Sarah Wolfe -CRC All-Conference Honorable Mention All-Heartland Honorable Mention Stacy Person - CRC All-Conference Honorable Mention



Kandra Koenig and Kate Garey making the block.



Jenny Beck cranks up to put one down.



Great set Amber Fuehrer



Sami Sweet getting the pass up to a setter with Amy Price ready and waiting to help out if needed.



Heather Bittinger spikes the ball.



Stacy Hoffman ready to set the ball for a teammate.

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Boys Basketball

S torm boys basketball proved to be a challenging and exciting season. They ended with a record of 6-13 but the guys had several close games. They had seven overtime periods in a seven-game stretch this year.

Tyson Glasser led the team in scoring with 220 points and was second in total rebounds with 101. Preston Parson was second in scoring with 205 points, 87 coming from 3-point range. Brady Hanquist led the team in rebounds with 117 and led the team in steals with 56. Dan Brockevelt led in free-throws with 68 points.

Post Season Honors were won by: **Tyson Glasser -**CRC Honorable Mention; All-Star Game participate; All-Heartland (G. I.) Honorable

Mention; All-State (Lincoln) Honorable Mention; All-Area Team (York)

Preston Parsons - All-State (Lincoln) Honorable Mention; All-Area Team (York).



Dan Brockevelt ready too pass the ball off.



8 Boys Basketball



Above: Brady Hanquist goes up for a layup.

Above right: Travis Blase at

the free throw line.

Right: Preston Parsons driving the ball down for a shot, while

Tyson Glasser is making his way down the court.

Left: Curtis Carlson watching the action from back court.



Clay Stevens and Shane Van Pelt hoping to pull down a rebound.

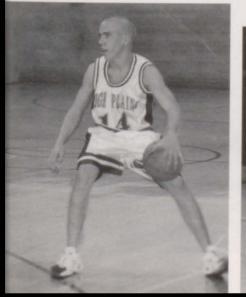




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HPC	37	Meridian	50	
HPC	50	Palmer	67	
HPC	74	Rising City	68	
HPC	49	NE Christian	62	
HPC	37	Dorchester	69	
HPC	41	Clay Center	69	
HPC	38	Hampton	43	
HPC	44	Friend	93	
HPC	60	Milligan	59	
HPC	56	Giltner	44	
HPC	41	Exeter	55	
HPC	54	McCool	52	OT
HPC	69	Dorchester	73	3 OT
HPC	45	Stromsburg	51	
HPC	52	Hampton	53	OT
HPC	66	Clay Center	59	OT
HPC	47	Shickley	57	
HPC	55	Benedict	48	OT
HPC	40	Fullerton	49	
Varsity		Final Record	6-13	
Junior Varsity			6-2	



Shane Van Pelt thinking "Get out of my way, I'm tired and nobody is going to stop me from making this shot."







Tyson Glasser goes up for the tip.



Back row: Jesse Hammond, Shane Taylor, Ryan Tonniges, Chance Majerus, Josh Lutjelusche, Nate Ortegren, Gary Brockevelt, Austin Person. Middle row: Andy Vrbka, Asst. Coach, Neil Andreasen, Jace Hudson, Ryan McKillip, Preston Parsons, Dyrek Zoucha, Brady Hanquist, Brandon Norquest, Doug Gilson, Head Coach. Front row: Ryan Spence, Dan Brockevelt, Shane VanPelt, Tyson Glasser, Clay Stevens, Curtis Carlson, Travis Blase, Nick Rodine, St. Manager.

Far Left:
Dyrek Zoucha showing us his moves.
Middle left:
Nate Ortegren looks to the basket to see if he has a shot.
Left: Ryan
McKillip puts one up for two.

Post Season Honors

Jenny Beck- CRC All-Tournament Team Honorable Mention; CRC 1st Team; All-Heartland (G.I.) Honorable Mention; All-State (Lincoln) Honorable Mention; All-Area Team (York); All-Nebraska (Onaha) Honorable Mention Sami Sweet- All-Area (York) Honorable Mention; Academic All-State Team

Caley Swedenburg- Academic All-State Team Sarah Wolfe- Academic All-State Team

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48	Giltner	31		
50	Friend	68		
37	Stromsburg	62		
56	Hampton	66		
37	Clay Center	31		
48	Shickley	51		
32	Fullerton	51		

Above: Megan Stewart hussles down the court.

Above right: Sarah Wolfe looks for an open person.

Right: Amanda Kohl gets ready to pass the ball.

Tigh Plains girls finished the basketball season with an 8-12 record. Half of their wins came on consecutive outings in their first four games of the season. These wins gave the girls momentum for the rest of their season. The Storm's win over unbeaten Milligan late in the season was a highligh for the year. Head Coach Don Walford and Assistant coach Todd Gardner were pleased with the season.

Jenny Beck led the team in scoring and rebounds with 12.5 points per game and 141 rebound for the season. Sami Sweet led in free throws hitting 34 of 54, she averaged 6.3 points per game. Amy Price was second in scoring and rebounds with an average of 8.1 and 6.5 per game.

The JV's finished with a record of 6-2.



Stacy Hoffman fights for posession of the ball.







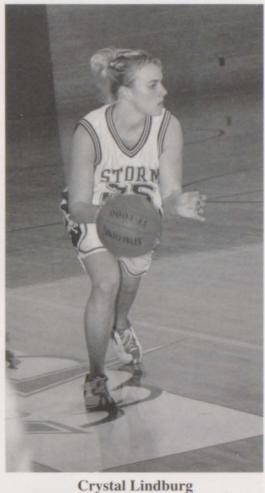
Sami Sweet tries to get around a play to make a play.

K.T. Reeves shows determination as she dribbles to the basket.

ON THE BALL



Caley Swedenburg calls for the ball.



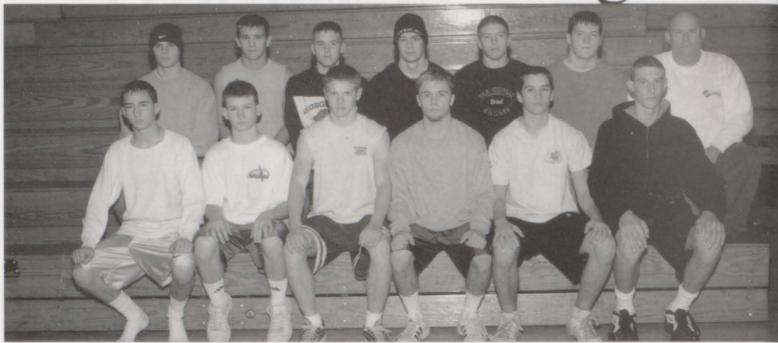
Crystal Lindburg
"Everyone get out of my way!"



Back row: Asst. Coach Todd Gardner, Lindsey Johansen, Sadie Church, Ashley Fye, Sara Sweet, Kiley Friesen, Krystal Ditloff, Jacque L'Heureux, Head Coach Don Walford. Middle Row: Sami Sweet, Megan Stewart, Lindsay Garrett, Jenny Beck, Amy Price, Lindsay Redman, Amanda Kohl, Stacy Person. Front row: Stephanie Gray, Stacy Hoffman, Crystal Lindburg, Caley Swedenburg, KT Reeves, Lindsay Person, Sarah Wolfe, Laura Peterson.

2000-2001 Lady Storm Basketball Team

Storm Wrestling



Back row: Jason Dubas, Aaron Gray, Jason Garrett, Mitch Hoffer, Brad Warnick, Josh Dittmer, Head Coach Norm Mansted Front row: T.J. Beck, Brian Beck, Andrew Garey, Clint Church, Chad Tonniges, Tyson Meyer.

Not pictured: Dustin Carlson Asst. Coach Chris Thoms, Coaches Aide Scott Stobel.



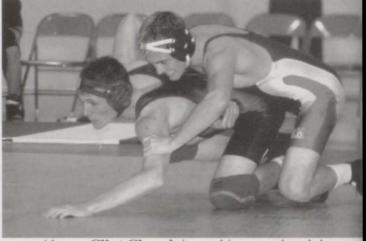
Josh Dittmer working on an escape



TJ Beck finishing this match with a pin.

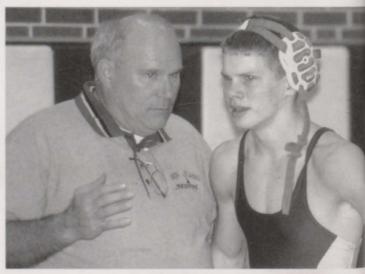


Brad Warnick gathers his stuff in disapointment.



Above: Clint Church is working on a breakdown.

Below: Coach Manstedt explains to Andrew Garey the move he should have used.



Dustin Carlson getting advice from the coaches before his next match.

Jason Garrett going for a takedown.



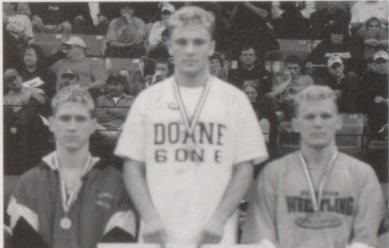
Jason Dubas after another hard-fought victory.

Inaugural Season Sets High Standards For Those to Come

The Storm wrestlers started off their inaugural season on the right foot. Of the twelve wrestlers, four made it to state (Clint Church, Josh Dittmer, TJ Beck, and Jason Dubas), and one (Church) became State Champion. Church also set a takedown record with 172 takedowns and was the only HPC wrestler to break 30 wins this year, but there were three to break 20 wins (TJ Beck, Hoffer, and Dubas).

Overall the team finished with 169 wins and 154 losses giving them an overall percentage of 52.32 percent.

SCOREBOARD			
Invites	Dual		
Ekfelt Invite-12th	High Plains	50	
Storm Invite-3rd	Nebraska Christian	18	
High Plains Invite-13th	Quad		
Stromsburg Invite-5th	High Plains	52	
Mullen Invite-3rd	Palmer	30	
HPC Quad-1st	High Plains	53	
Valley Invite-8th	Clay Center	24	
ECNC-Central-6th	High Plains	51	
Districts-5th	Lawrence-Nelson	30	
State-24th			





Mitch Hoffer looking to the coach for advice on how to get out of this move.

Left: Clint Church, State Champion, receives his gold medal in the 140 pound weight class. He was also named Outstanding Wrestler at the Mullen Invite.

Post Season Honors

Clint Church

All-Area Team All-Star Wrestling Meet Participant

T. J. Beck

All-Area Team

Jason Dubas

All-Area Team

Mitch Hoffer

All-Area Honorable Mention



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STORM

Girls Track

The Girls track season was an extremely success ful season. Sixteen girls participated for the team. They dedicated a great deal of time and hard work to end the season with relatively high scoring. The girls placed either first or second at all the meets except Districts. Three girls qualified for the State meet, Sarah Wolfe in the high jump, Laura Peterson in the 1600 meter run, and Amy Price in the discus. Winning the CRC meet was a high light for the year.



Jacque L'Heureux runs a leg in a relay.



Laura Peterson coming to the finish line of the 1600 me run at the CRC meet. She place **5th at** the **State** meet i Omaha with a time of 5:28.84



Stephanie Gray shows great form in the hurdles.

SCOREBOARD

Merrick County Invite
No score
High Plains Invite
1st Place
Ceder Rapids Invite
2nd Place
NE Christian Invite
2nd Place
Palmer Invite
1st Place
CRC 1st Place
Districts 4th Place



<u>Back row:</u> Sami Sweet, Sarah Wolfe, Sara Sweet, Crystal Lindburg, Amy Price, Jenny Bec Lindsay Redman, Laura Peterson, Jacque L'Heureux. <u>Front row:</u> Stephanie Gray, Christa Hudson, Sara Lott, Lindsay Garrett, Lindsey Johansen, Krystal Ditloff, Sadie Church.

STORM PRIDE!



Lindsay Redman and Krystal Ditloff race for the finish line.



Lindsay Garrett shows excellent form in the shot put.



Sarah Wolfe showing her great ability to fly through the air.

Sarah jumped 4' 11" at the state meet.



Jenny Beck strives for the finish line as Stephanie gets ready to hurdle the last one in the race.



Crystal Lindburg goes splat in the sand while showing great determination.



Amy Price with another great throw. She threw 109' 10" at the state meet, her personal best.



Christa Hudson paces herself for the race.

The boys track team had a outstand ing year. They did well in all of their events. Lots of medals and awards were given to the indivdual members and the team as a whole.

Three members qualified to compete at the State meet in Omaha. Tyson Glasser for the Triple, Long, and High Jumps. Brady Hanquist for the 300 Meter Hurdles, and Nate Ortegren for the 100 Meter Dash.

The coaches were Steve Meyer, David Bridges, Don Walford, and David May.



Nate Ortegren hits the finish line first here at CRC. He qualified for state in the 100 meter dash and ran 11.66, just missing finals.



Front row: Student Manager Nick Rodine, Aaron Gray, Tyson Glasse Preston Parsons, Mitch Hoffer, Clint Church, Brian Beck, Brady Hanqu Back row: Andrew Mundt, Jason Garrett, Jason Dubas, Dyrek Zoucha Nate Ortegren, Andrew Garey, T.J. Beck.



Shane Van Pelt throws the shot put.



Andrew Mundt clears the bar at the CRC track meet.



Clint Church and TJ Beck come arour the track with only two laps left.



Brian Beck gets set.



Brady Hanquist qalified for the state track meet in the 300 meter hurdles. He ran 42.8 in Omaha.



Dyrek Zoucha soars above the high jump bar.

SCOREBOARD

Merrick County Intvie - No score
High Plains Invite - 2nd place
Ceder Rapids Invite - 2nd Place
Nebraska Christian Invite - 2nd Place
Palmer Invite - 2nd Place
CRC Track Meet - 1st Place
Districts - 3rd Place



Jason Garrett lets go of a discus at a track meet.



Tyson Glasser State
Champion in the Long Jump
with a jump of 22' 5".
He performed well all season
in the long, triple, and high
jump. He qualified for the
state meet in the Long Jump,
Triple Jump and High Jump.
In Omaha he high jumped 5'
11", triple jumped 42' 6" and
won the long jump for the
championship. He also
placed 4th in the All-Class
competition.



Tyson Glasser was awarded the Gayle Arnett award, for the second year, at the CRC track meet.





Boys Track

Golf

The merger gave I new opportunities to the students of High Plains. One of these new opportunities was the golf program. The program wasn't formed until midway through the school year. A survey was given to the students to see if there was enough interest. The team started the season with an almost empty schedule, but the administration was able to find an ample schedule for the team. The team practiced at Ryan Hill Country Club in Osceola. At the meets only five golfers can compete. A JV team could also golf so that way all the team members got to attend most meets. Besides their normal schedule the team also

competed in the C1-4
District Golf Tournament at Indianhead golf course in Grand Island.
The team improved all through the season, and that is important for a new program.

SCOREBOARD

CC @ High Plains Duel CC - 170 HP - 205 HP @ York Duel York - 179 HP - 236 Triangular @ Osceola Rising City - 196 High Plains - 200 **Heartland Lutheran-231** York @ HP Duel York - 181 HP - 209 Triangular @ Osceola Rising City - 100 Clay Center - 135 High Plains - 190 HP @ CC Duel CC - 189 HP - 218 **HP** @ Heartland Duel HP - 236 Heartland-251 C1-4 District Golf HP finished 14th



Team Members: Coach Keith Killion, Curtis Carlson, Austin Person, Jesse Hammond, Heather Bittinger, Dallas Nielsen, Stacy Hoffman, Jace Hudson, Brandon Hanquist, Travis Blase, Coach Fred Hess.



Curtis Carlson warming up on the driving range.



Travis Blase trying not to loose his ball in the sun.



Austin Person receiving a lit advice from Mr. Hess.



Brandon Hanquist lining u for an iron shot.



Jesse Hammond lines up for his putt.

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racie Bankson and Sarah Wolfe doing a dance routine at halftime of a basketball game.

Cheerleaders

The cheerleaders are always busy. They plan and decorate for home coming, spirit week, and the All-activities honor night. They cheered at wrestling this year for the first time and are always doing things throughout the year. Locker tags appear for the students in various activities. They also attended a dance competition in Stromsburg in the spring. Sponsors were Becky Carlstrom and Dorla Lindburg.



Crystal Lindburg, Jennifer McKillip, and Christa Hudson lead the crowd in a cheer.



"Brrrrrrr, it is cold out here, there must be a storm in the atmosphere." Crystal Lindburg, Sarah Wolfe, Jacque L'Heureux, Stephanie Gray, Sara Lott, Christa Hudson do a cheer to match the night's weather.



Sara Lott and Stephanie Gray doing the dance routine.



2000-2001 Cheerleaders. <u>Back:</u> Crystal Lindburg, Tracie Bankson, Staphanie Gray, Jacque L'Heureux, Jennifer Mckillip, Sarah Wolfe. <u>Kneeling:</u> Christa Hudson, Sara Lott.



Jacque L'Heureux looking very excited about cheering.

Middle School Sports - Football & Volleyball



<u>Back row:</u> Brent Scherer, Dustin Meyer, Brett Kuhn, Justin Jackson, Brent Zoucha, Levi Lindburg, John Lindgren, Chris Ziemba, Brandon Bankson, Nathan Anderson. <u>Front row:</u> Vinny Bittinger, Kevin Church, Dustin Kufeldt, Chris Fowler, Josh Gustafson, Tim Peterson, Josh Hudson, Drew Rodine, Josh Hohnholt.







Back row: Sami Danklesen, Kelli Stevens, Haley Stromberg Heather Steinke, Corinna Vrbka, Samantha Dubas, Natalie Ericksen, Laura Garey, Abby Necker, Morgan Comer. Midd row: Amber Swanson, Christina Rhodes, Heather Klingspon Meghan Hammond, Holly Engel, Tiffany Swanson, Tabitha Rogers, Casey Sneed, Heidi Hanquist. Front row: Erin Hammond, Candice Swedenburg, Lauren Redman, Kayla Beck, Ashley Strobel, Ashley Isaac, Tiffany Kowaiski.





Above: Coaches Mike Cotter and Steve Meyer talk over a play during a time-out.

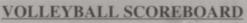
Two above left: Levi Lindburg clears the way for Brett Kuhn to score.

Two above middle: **Justin Jackson** kicks off with **Tim Peterson** ready to tackle.

Two above right: Coach **Karyee LeSuer** had her job cut out for her trying to play all 25 girls out for volleyball this year.

Far right above: Kayla Beck is ready to return the ball with Meghan Hammond and Candice Swedenburg backing up.

Far right below: Lauren Redman sets the ball as team members look on.



	HPC	Opp
Giltner	2	0
Palmer	2	1
Hampton	1	2
McCool	2	0
Benedict	1	2
Chapman	1	2
Rising City	2	0
Final	Record 4	-3

FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

	HPC	Opp
Palmer	52	26
Hampton	52	6
Clay Center	62	14
Milligan	38	6
Final F	Record 4	1-0





Middle School Sports - Boys & Girls Basketball



Middle School Boys Basketball Team following the CRC Playoff game. They placed 2nd. <u>Back row:</u> Dustin Kufeldt, Brandon Bankson, Brett Kuhn, Levi Lindburg, John Lindgren, Chris Ziemba, Brent Zoucha, Justin Jackson, Coach Steve Meyer. <u>Front row:</u> Josh Gustafson, Chris Fowler, Josh Hohnholt, Josh Hudson, Nathan Anderson, Vinny Bittinger, Tim Peterson, Drew Rodine, Brent Scherer.



Middle School Girls Basketball Team.

<u>Back row:</u> Crystal Schweitzer, Haley Stromberg, Meghan
Hammond, Coach Mike Cotter, Laura Garey, Morgan Comer,
Kelli Stevens, Samantha Dubas, Natalie Ericksen, Heather
Klingsporn, Corinna Vrbka, Holly Engel. <u>Front row:</u> Erin
Hammond, Christina Rhodes, Casey Sneed, Kayla Beck,
Ashley Strobel, Candice Swedenburg, Ashley Isaac,

Lauren Redman, Heidi Hanquist.









Two above: Haley Stromberg picks up the ball as Kelli Stevens, Ashley Strobel, Crystal Schweitzer and Kayla Beck wonders about the call. Above: Tim Peterson goes after the ball

with Brent Zoucha waiting.

BOYS S	COREBO	ARD
	HPC	Орр
Giltner	56	28
Hampton	55	27
McCool	45	30
Benedict	56	21
Rising City	47	35
NE Christian	39	33
High Plains Tou	irney	
Hampton	43	25
Rising City	47	35
CRC Play off ga	ame	52 %
Friend	31	43
Final l	Record 8-	1

Two above: Holly Engel does some fancy footwork and Laura Garey makes sure she doesn't step on the Hampton player.

Two above right: Christina Rhodes and Meghan Hammond waits for a rebound.

Above right: Josh Hudson looks to pass to Brett Kuhn. Above far right: Levi Lindburg goes up for 2 with Chris Ziemba watching.





GIRLS SCOREBOARD				
	HPC	Opp		
Giltner	36	27		
Hampton	24	33		
McCool	32	20		
Benedict	19	29		
Rising City	24	22		
NE Christian	33	11		
High Plains Tourney				
Hampton	14	25		
Rising City	31	18		
Final Record 5-3				



Boys Track Team: Coach Chris Thoms, Brent Scherer, Dustin Meyer, Tim Peterson, John Lindgren, Drew Rodine, Chris Ziemba, Nathan Anderson, Justin Jackson, Josh Hudson, Brent Zoucha, Vinny Bittinger, Levi Lindburg, Dustin Kufeldt, Brett Kuhn, Josh Hohnholt, Brandon Bankson.



Girls Track Team: Erin Hammond, Casey Sneed, Heather Klingsporn, Christina Rhodes, Kelli Stevens, Ashley Strobe Samantha Dubas, Candice Swedenburg, Natalie Ericksen, Laura Redman, Holly Engel, Kayla Beck, Corinna Vrbka, Amber Swanson, Laura Garey, Heidi Hanquist, Morgan Com Tabitha Rogers, Coach Andy Vrbka.



Ashley Strobel



Morgan Comer



Brent Kuhn





Levi Lindburg



John Lindgren



Laura Garey



Corinna Vrbka

MS Track Scoreboard

Friend Invite Girls - 10th Boys - 12th Storm Invite Girls - 1st Boys - 1st Heartland Invite Girls - 4th Boys - 2nd NE Christian Invite Girls - 3rd Boys - 1st CRC Girls - 8th Boys - 1st

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Natalie Ericksen



Brent Zoucha



Heather Klingsporn



Student Council

Student Council had a large membership this year.

Senior Clay Stevens was elected to the job of student council President. Their first order of business for the year, was to attend the district meeting in Columbus. They also attended two other meetings during the year at Plattsmouth and Fremont.

Duties of St. Council is to fill the pop machine everyday; Organize the Christmas party, with movies, karaoke, and card games; as well as hosting a Junior

High Basketball Tournament. They also held a Valentine's Day Dance. They worked hard on finding ways to get a bigger parking lot for the students and came up with lucky lockers. If your locker was selected, you would receive three tickets for use in the lunch

room and the grand prize winner received a \$10 gift certificate.



Tyson Glasser, Mitch Hoffer, Brady Hanquist, and Nick Rodine try their talents at karaoke.



Clay Stevens giving his speech for President.



Front row: Lindsey Johansen, Lindsay Redman, Lindsay Garrett, Lindsay Person, Sarah Wolfe, Jacque L'Heureux. Middle row: Stephanie Gray, Stacy Person, Stacy Hoffman, Tracie Bankson, Crystal Lindburg, Megan Stewart, Sam Wize, and Laura Peterson. Back row: Aaron Gray, Jason Garrett, Amy Price, Kate Garey, Nate Ortegren, Travis Blase, Jenny Rystrom, Clay Stevens, Adam Thomas, Elizabeth Lindgren, Mark Collett, and Jenni Swanson.



Clay Stevens and Travis Blase working at the tourname



Sarah Wolfe, Stacy Hoffman, and Trac Bankson deciding on the lucky locker.



Jenny Rystrom and Kate Garey selling tick for a cake raffle.



Students jammin' to the music at the Valentine's Day Dance.

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Kate Garey, Jenny Rystrom, Levi Ericksen, Erin Garrett, and Brandon Hanquist are all working. What is Mark Collett and Brad Warnick doing?

ANNUAL CLASS

The first High Plains Community School Yearbook was composed by this class. Not only do they compose the Yearbook, they are also the writers and editors of the Monthly Forecast, the school newsletter. The class also gets a good break from school several days to sell the ads found at the back of the yearbook. They travelled to several neighboring towns to enjoy the day off of school and to sell ads to area businesses. The class kept busy everyday by working on the yearbook, writing articles and proofreading the school newsletter, and selling ads.



The yearbook staff: Brad Warnick, Brandon Hanquist, Erin Garrett, Mark Collett, Kate Garey, Levi Ericksen, and Jenny Rystrom.



Brandon Hanquist and Levi Ericksen look real happy selling ads.







Above Left: Erin Garrett laughing at Mark Collett's bizarre antics again.

Above: Jenny Rystrom, Kate Garey, and Brad Warnick walking the streets selling ads.

Above Right: Jenny Rystrom, Kate Garey, and Erin Garrett are slaughtering the home ec room flies.

Left: Brad Warnick, Erin Garrett, Jenny Rystrom, Kate Garey are showing what they really do in annual class: sleep! One-Act Pla

The One-Act Play cast had a very successful year with their new director, Mr. Dave Gallion. With one of the largest casts ever, Competition Piece was a great success at both CRC and District Play contests. The cast received 2nd place at the CRC contest and three cast members received outstanding acting awards. Crystal Lindburg, Johanna Saegar, and Clay Stevens won the awards. At the District contest the cast walked away with 3rd place and five outstanding acting award winners. The winners at this contest were Aaron Gray, Mandy Price, Johanna Saeger, Clay Stevens, and Jenni Swanson. Congratulations to the whole cast and the director!











The whole cast! Back row: Brandon Hanquist, Mitch Hoffer, T.J. Bed Aaron Gray. Second row: Dan Person, Jacque L'Heureux, Clay Steve Heather Bittinger, Melissa Blase, Stacy Hoffman, Jenni Swanson, Johanna Saeger, Amy Price, Laura Blase, Crystal Lindburg, Mark Col Kayla Johansen, Kiley Friesen, Travis Blase. Seated: Christa Hudso Tracie Bankson, and Mandy Price.



Above left: Melissa Blase, Crystal Lindburg, Amy Price, and Kiley Friesen appear real worried about the results!

Above right: Is Mandy Price trying to teach Mark Collett, Kiley Friesen, Kayla Johansen, Travis Blase, and Tracie Bankson to fly or to dance!

Far left: Johanna Saeger playing the old lady again this year!

Left: Clay Stevens showing his true feelings about One-



Competition Piece

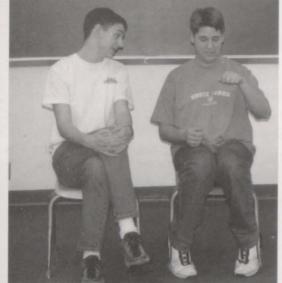
Director - Mr. Dave Gallion Student Director - Clay Stevens Stacy Hoffman - Sarah Christa Hudson - Mrs. Hockenschmo Mandy Price - Mrs. Mellencamp Crystal Lindburg - Mrs. Grubowski Johanna Saeger - Miss Matilda Meek Jenni Swanson - Dr. Siskell-Ebert Brandon Hanquist - The Grim Reape

Melissa Blase - Missy Dan Person - Will Clay Stevens - Hunter Heather Bittinger - Jill Jacque L'Heureux - Dawn Laura Blase - Sue T.J. Beck - Ike Mitch Hoffer - Tom Amy Price - Jessica Aaron Gray - Travis Kiley Friesen - Laura

Tracie Bankson - Allison Mark Collett - Elliot Travis Blase - Graham Kayla Johansen - Callie



Clay Stevens performing his State qualifying speech as he cries, "PIGHOOEY!"



Clay Stevens and Mark Collett practicing their state qualifying speech in which both played a role of a woman.

The Speech Team Strikes!

The speech team set a record having twenty-four members for the 2001 peech team. The team was very successful with the help of their speech coach, Jean 3lase.

They attended six meets which ncluded the Hamilton-Merrick Contest, Osceola Contest, Silver Creek Contest, CRC held at Hampton, and District Contest reld at Osceola. The team took 4th Place at CRC and won the Runner-up Plaque (2nd Place) at the District Contest. Mark Collett and Clay Stevens both won the right to ttend the State Speech Contest in Kearney at the District Contest. Mark and Clay competed together in Duet acting receiving an excellent and a superior. Clay also competed in Humorous Prose at State and eceived two superiors.



Back row: Amy Price, Jim Rahrs, Clay Stevens.

Second row: Mandy Price, Johanna Saegar, Melissa Blase,
Sarah Wolfe, Crystal Lindburg, Mark Collett, Travis Blase.

Kneeling: Jacque L'Heureux, Kayla Johansen, Laura Blase,
Beth Lindgren, Lindsay Garrett, Lindsey Johansen, Katie Holtorf,
Jenni Swanson. Sitting: Kiley Friesen, Valerie Rahrs, Christa Hudson,
Tracie Bankson, Stephanie Gray, Lindsay Person.



Beth Lindgren, Jean Blase, Melissa Blase, Laura Blase, Amy Price, and Johanna Saeger seem to enjoy that evenings speech practice.

Medal Winners

OID: Johanna, Kiley, Crystal, Travis, and Lindsay G.

4th Place at Districts

Duet: Mark and Clay

2nd Place at Silver Creek

1st Place at Districts

Informative: Melissa

4th Place at Silver Creek

4th Place at Districts

Informative: Valerie

6th Place at Osceola

Entertainment: Travis

4th Place at CRC

Poetry: Katie

3rd Place at Silver Creek 3rd Place at Districts Persuasive: Christa

4th Place at CRC

3rd Place at Districts

Serious: Beth

4th Place at Districts

Poetry: Lindsay P.

5th Place at Osceola

Entertainment: Jim

4th Place at Districts

Humorous: Clay

2nd Place at Ham-Merr

2nd Place at Osceola

1st Place at CRC

1st Place at Districts

Persuasive: Jenni

7th Place at CRC

4th Place at Districts

Poetry: Sarah

4th Place at Districts

High Plains Storm Band

The High Plains Band had a very successful year with its sixty-four members. The marching band took part in three parades. The annual Yorkfest Parade was the first outing the band was involved in and they placed 2nd overall. It was the first year the Band marched in the Columbus Day Parade in Columbus. They placed 1st overall at this marching event. Finally, they attended the Grand Island Harvest of Harmony Parade where they received 6th place. The High Plains Harvest of Harmony Queen Candidate was Tracie Bankson.

At the District Music Contest they received a superior rating. Of the fourteen bands participating only two received the superior ratings. Four small groups performed at the District Contest as well. A trombone duet, Jim and Valerie Rahrs, receiving a superior rating. Clay Stevens, Erin Garrett, Travis Blase, and Jenni Swanson received a superior rating with their saxophone quartet. A flute quartet, Sarah Wolfe, Amber Fuehrer, Chelsea Crouch, and Crystal Lindburg, also performed receiving an excellent rating. Amy Price, Jacque L'Heureux, Laura Peterson, and Lindsay Garrett performed a clarinet quartet receiving an excellent rating.



Crystal Lindburg was the Majorette for the High Plain Marching Band.



Sarah Wolfe and Stacy Person march to the beat.



Tracie Bankson poses for a picture. Tracie was the High Plains Community Schools Harvest of Harmony Queen Candidate.



Class C All-State Band Members: Jim Rahrs, Valerie Rahrs, (
Stevens, Amy Price, Travis Blase.



Above: Flag Corp: Tracie Bankson, Sarah Wolfe, Jacque L'Heureux, Amber Fuehrer, Crystal Lindburg, KT Reeves, Lindsay Garrett, Chelsea Crouch, Stacy Person. Right: High Plains Community Marching Band.

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Main Street Salon - Hampton



CRC Honor Band Members: Heather Bittinger, Stephanie Gra Clay Stevens, Sarah Wolfe, Mark Collett, Stacy Hoffman, Amy Price, Erin Garrett, Jim Rahrs.





Back: Leah Glasier, Amber Fuehrer, Katie Holtorf, Kate Garey, Amy Price, ohanna Saeger, Lindsay Redman, Jim Rahrs, Valerie Schulze, Shari Boroviak, Jenny Rystrom, Sarah Hanquist, Jacque L'Heureux, Valerie Rahrs, Paige Jacobi. Front: Crystal Lindburg, Stacy Person, Kiley Friesen, asha Thomson, Chelsea Crouch, Lindsay Person, Beth Lindgren, Sarah Wolfe, and Director Fred Hess.



CRC Honor Choir: Johanna Saeger, Sarah Wolfe, Lindsay Person, Amber Fuehrer, Crystal Lindburg, Amy Price, Jacque L'Heureux. Jim Rahrs.



High Plains Choir

The High Plains Choir started and ended the year on a high note!

Boasting of twenty-three members, it was a good size choir for our first year. There was only one male vocalist, Jim Rahrs.

They performed at various concerts including Districts, CRC Vocal Clinic, ball games singing the National Anthem, the senior center, and concerts held at the school. At the District Contest the choir received an excellent rating. Jacque L'Heureux received a superior rating for her solo. A duet by Amber Fuehrer and Sarah Wolfe received a superior rating. Crystal Lindburg, Amy Price, Lindsay Person, and Jacque L'Heureux performed in a quartet and received an excellent rating.



Above: Jim Rahrs sings a tune once again as the only male voice in the choir. Left: The choir lets lose its power of song as they sing at one of the concerts. Below: Chelsea Crouch performs a solo.



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FA/Agricultural Science members are students from ag classes or students who want to join. Judging contests through the year kept them busy. Their performance in these contests was outstanding throughout the year. At all the contests not one competitor placed lower than 10th for High Plains. As a group they placed 11th overall in the nation at the Northwest Iowa Adaur Casey National Livestock Judging Contest. Jen Werner won the DeKalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award.



Jason Dubas, Brian Beck, Jen Werner, Matt Veburg, and Eric Menke helping to unload the fruit truck.

FFA/AG



Mr. Bridges is trying to point out the corn plot field to Charlle Shenk befor harvest begins. Tyson Meyer, Eric Menke, Matt Veburg and Nick Rod help supervise the operation.



Officers: Tyson Glasser - Secretary, Jason Garrett - Treasurer, Brandon Nielsen - Vice President, Jen Werner - President, Andrew Holtorf - News Reporter, Byron Carlson - Sentinel.



Eric Menke, Jace Hudson, Cole Swedenburg, Dan Person, Mitch Hoffer, Neil Andreasen, Tyson Glasser, Brady Hanquist, TJ Beck, Taylor Comer, Dan Ziemba, Dallas Nielsen, Jason Garrett, Clinton Gustafson, Dyrek Zoucha, Jen Werner, Steve Wruble, Andrew Holtorf, Brandon Nielsen, Byron Carlson, Levi Ericksen, Chad Tonniges, Tyson Meyer, Kyle Yrkos Dustin Janulewicz, Curtis Swedenburg, Ryan Tonniges, Chance Majerus, Matt Veburg, Tracie Bankson, Eric Swanson, Stacy Hoffman, Jesse Hammond, Austin Person, Krystal Ditloff, Shane Van Pelt, Dan Brockevelt, Ashley Fye.

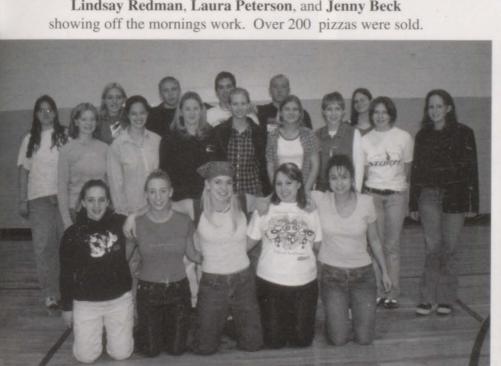
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Tamily Career & Community Leaders of America was an organization new and old to the students of High Plains this year. Clarks students were well informed and active with the make-up of the club, but for the Polk-Hordville students it was a new experience. The old members recruited several new ones and this year the organization had a total of 19 members. The officers were: Amber Fuehrer - President, Paige Jacobi - Vice President, Kandra Koenig - Secretary, Jacque L'Heureux - Treasurer, Crystal Lindburg -Historian, Brad Warnick - Parliamentarian, Jenny Beck - Recreational Chairperson, and Jenni Swanson -Publicity Chairperson.

They started the year out with a fundraiser. They sold Godfather's pizzas and had to get up early on Saturday moring after homecoming to go to Columbus to make them. During the year they attended: the district leadership conference, STAR competition, and the state conference. At STAR, 5 presentations were given. Top Gold honors went to Amber and Paige and to Jacque and Crystal. Gold was won by Ashley and Jenny Beck and Jenni Swanson received Silvers. Being Top Gold Amber, Paige, Crystal, and Jacque qualified for State. Others to attend state were Jenny Beck as District Historian, Kandra, Ashley and Brad.



Lindsay Redman, Laura Peterson, and Jenny Beck



Front row: Christa Hudson, Amber Fuehrer, Crystal Lindburg, Paige Jacobi, Kandra Koenig. Middle row: Melissa Blase, Jacque L'Heureux, Jenny Beck, Lindsay Redman, Beth Lindgren, Laura Peterson, Laura Blase, Shari Boroviak. Back row: Ashley Fye, Amy Price, Brad Warnick, Chad Tonniges, Ryan Spence, Jenni Swanson.



Amber Fuehrer and Paige Jacobi with their STAR top golds saying: "We beat Raul."



Crystal Lindburg and Jacque L'Heureux after winning top gold at STAR.

National Honor Society

he National Honor Society inducted eight new members. High achievement and goals is stressed for membership in this organization. Scholarship, Leadership, and Character come into account when application are received. The Pledge says it best:

> I pledge myself Always to seek the light of truth, To hold scholarly habits, To engage in worthy service and to lead forward in all things That shall advance the welfare of the school.



Members of the High Plains Communty chapter of NHS: (third row) Sarah Wolfe, Lindsay Person Caley Swedenburg, Jason Garrett, Mark Collett, Crystal Lindburg, Clay Stevens, Preston Parson Curtis Carlson, Brandon Hanquist, Tyson Glasser, (second row) Jennifer McKillip, Kayla Johans Christa Hudson, Melissa Blase, Stacy Hoffman, Tracie Bankson, Johanna Saeger, Jenny Beck, Amber Fuehrer, Erin Garrett, Sami Sweet, Jacque L' Heureux, (front row) Amy Price, Laura Peterson, Shari Boroviak, K.T. Reeves, Brady Hanquist, Shane Van Pelt, Dan Brockevelt.

Not Pictured: JenWerner, Mandy Price, Jenni Swanson.



New Members for 2001: Back row: Brady Hanquist, Shane Van Pelt, Dan Brockevelt. Front row: Amy Price, Laura Peterson, Shari Brovoiak, K.T. Reeves. Not Pictured: Jenni Swanson.



Amber Fuehrer lights a candle before she reads part for the induction ceremony.



Senior members help out during the NHS ceremony.



New members ready to repeat the pledge.

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Quiz Bowl/Brain Storm Teams

n rain Storm teams D are made up of five students. All the teams at an event compete in the first two rounds of competition, and then the teams with the lowest scores will be eliminated. There were a total of four rounds to leave eight teams who took part in a final live round at the CCC Platte Campus the first Saturday in May. KJSK radio station aired the Brain Storm live on news - talk 900 AM from 8 am to 8:15 am each weekday morning.

The High Plains team was Clay Stevens (captain), Johanna Saeger, Amber Fuehrer, Caley Swedenburg, and Kayla Johansen. Their sponsor was Mr. Gilson.

The High Plains
Quiz Bowl team took to
the road and traveled to
Peru State College on
March 28th to attend the
27th Annual Quiz Bowl

Competition. Members making the trip were captain-Clay Stevens, Johanna Saeger, Kayla Johansen, Heather Bittinger, Shane VanPelt, Travis Blase, and Jason Garrett. Each team went through 3 preliminary rounds where they competed against 3 other teams. After those rounds were completed, teams were seeded to compete in the final rounds. Only 8 of 28 teams could make the finals. Since High Plains was undefeated in the preliminary rounds they were seeded 5th for the finals. Their first competition was against Stromsburg. It was a close match up to the very end, but Stromsburg was in the lead at the end of regulation play.

On April 17 a group of eager Quiz Bowlers set out for the Central City Invite. Two new members, Lindsay
Person and Kiley
Friesen, had to be
drafted for the invite
because a track meet and
a golf meet were on the
same day. There were
five teams competing,
and High Plains swept
the winners bracket to
win the first place
plaque.

The team, with the original members, then went to districts in Osceola on April 26. The team once again swept the winners bracket to win the competition. This qualified them for state, because the top two teams from each district go to the state competition in Holdrege. At state the team won their first round, but lost their next two in very close competitions. The team had a great season this year.



The Quiz Bowl team with their CRC trophy.

Back Row: Jason Garrett, Travis Blase, Kayla Johansen,
Clay Stevens, Johanna Saeger, Shane VanPelt.

Front Row: Caley Swedenburg, Heather Bittenger.



Brain Storm Team. Kayla Johansen, Amber Fuehrer, Johanna Saeger, Caley Swedenburg, Clay Stevens.



The Quiz bowl team competing at the CRC competition.

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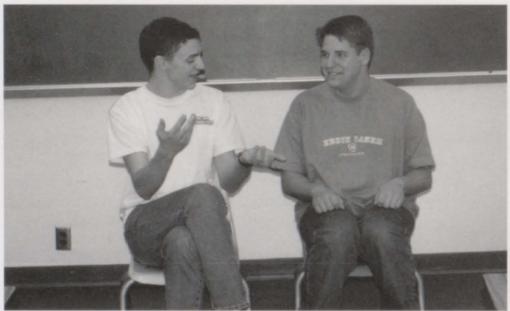
Mrs. Gilson with antennas.



Anthony looking innocent.



"Jace and Tyson, What are you looking at?"



Clay and Mark sitting "funny".





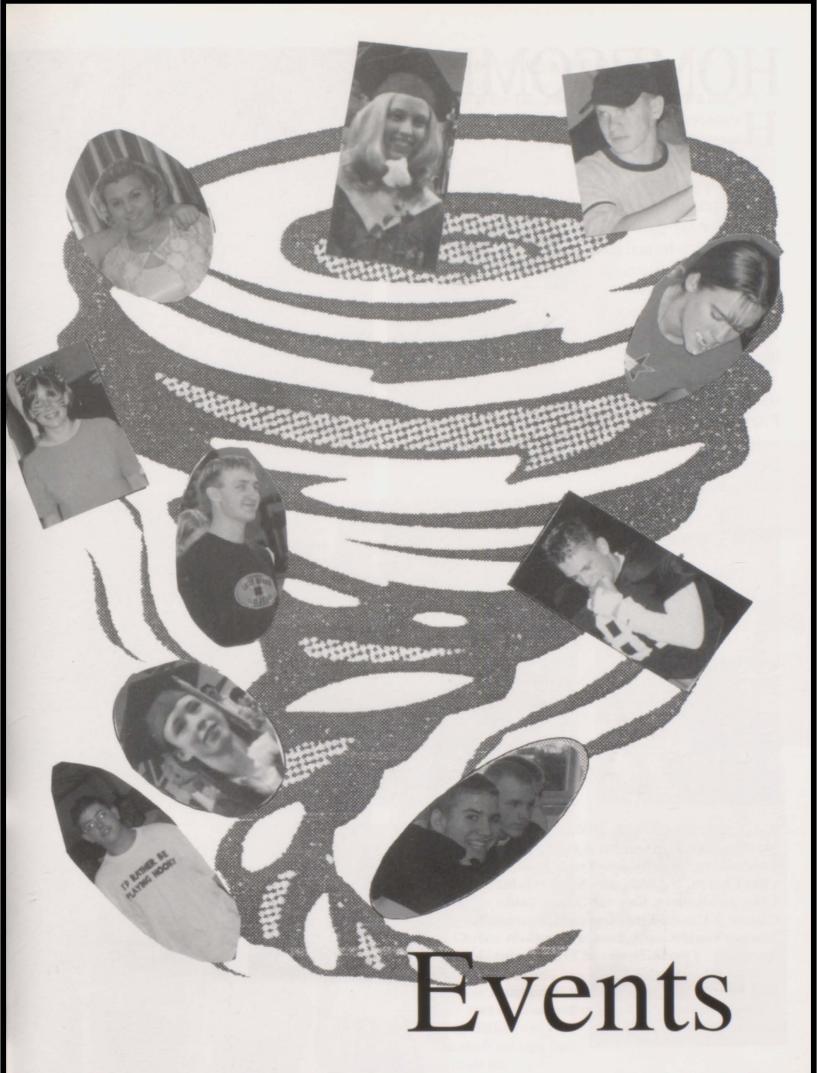
Heather saying "I didn't do it!"



Paige and Amber being Charlie's Angels.



Megan and Sam with tusks.



HOMECOMING

Homecoming is a week filled with games and prizes for class competitions and dress up days. Dress up days were: Monday-pajama day, Tuesday-formal day, Wednesday-hippie/nerd/70's day, Thursday famous pairs day, and Friday-red, white, and blue day.

The week ended with the sport teams facing the Friend Bulldogs in volleyball and football followed by a dance. The theme was Thunderstuck.



struts his stuff for the women.

Far right: Paige Jacobi and Johanna Saeger prepare Clay Stevens for his homecoming date.



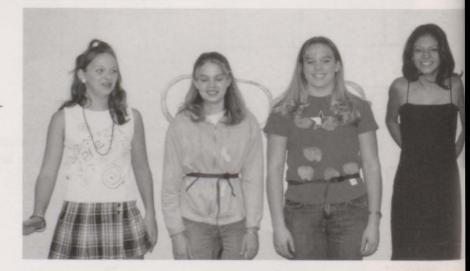


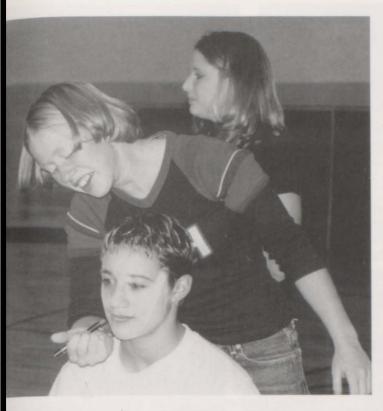


Above right: Homecoming 2000 Royalty: 3rd attendants- Erin Garrett & Curtis Swedenburg, 1st attendants- Tracie Bankson & Clint Church, 2nd attendants- Steve Wruble & Caley Swedenburg, King and Queen- Tyson Glasser & Crystal Lindburg, and Crownbearers-Morgan VanHousen & Tanner Fate.

Above left: Tyson Glasser and Erin Garrett cheer on the seniors.

<u>Right</u>: Stephanie Gray, Lindsey Johansen, Lindsay Garrett, and Sara Carlton dress up for famous pairs day.





<u>Left:</u> **Krystal Ditloff** paints **Nathan Ortegren**'s face at a face painting activity.

Below: Shari Boroviak, Josh Lutjelusche, Beth Lindgren, and Sam Wize show their school spirit.





Jesse Hammond shows his own version of the headless horsemen.





Far above: Christa Hudson and Jennifer McKillip show the school how to rock and roll.

Above: Lindsay Redman "I hope nobody sees me like this."

Right: Katie Holtorf and Ivy

Hejtmanek show the sign their class team made for homecoming.



You Are My Everything

The High Plains Community High School prom was held on, Saturday, May 5, 2001 in the elementary gym. The Junior class took the tradition of hosting and honoring the seniors. The Juniors spent the night before decorating and getting ready for the big event. Prom theme was "You Are My Everything". Jason Garrett welcomed all the juniors and seniors to the banquet. Sarah Wolfe read the poem to the seniors, and senior class president Clay Stevens thanked the juniors and parents for all of the hard work and effort that was put in. After the dinner, class pictures were taken as well as the couple picture by the Picture Man. The dance followed until 12:00 p.m. Post Prom was then held at the Community Center in York. The students swam, ate, or played pool throughout the early morning hours. Prizes were given at the end to those who attended.



Amber Fueher and Steven Wruble swing dancin



Students continued to dance throughout the evening.



The Junior girls showing off their garters while **Heather Bittinger** wondering if she shas hers on.



Servers: Laura Peterson,
Dallas Nielson, Lindsay Redman,
Brady Hanquist, Beth Lindgren,
Jace Hudson, Stacy Person, Dan Person,
Amanda Kohl, Cole Swedenburg.



The senior girls gather for a picture.



thelsea Crouch, Lindsay Redman, and Laura Peterson showing their dance moves.



The Junior class looking good.



Kandra Koenig says to Chad Tonniges, "I think I'm getting the hang of this!"



Dallas Nielsen filling a water glass for someone. Just one of the many chores the servers must do.



Jacque L'Heureux and Caley Swedenburg, "Don't have to much fun girls"!



The seniors at their final prom.



Jason Garrett welcoming everyone to the banquet.

A ll-Activities Night's theme was the Beginning of an Era. The night honored all the students that participated in school activities, sports, clubs, and classroom activities. Events and achievements were recapped for the year.

Special awards were given out to several

of an Era.

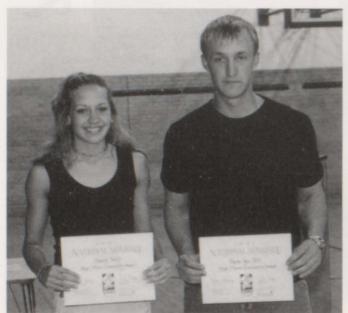
students, proving that the first year for High Plains Community High School indeed was a Beginning

All - Activities Night





Jacque L'Heureux and Clay Stevens receiving this years All-Around Student Awards for Mr Gilson.



Sarah Wolfe and Shane Van Pelt were the Wendy's High School Heisman Award winners.



Jim Rahrs and Johanna Saeger tied for the Choir's Most Valuable Person Award. The students vote on this award given every year.



Mr. Bridges got the applause for the night when he had everyone stand for a brief intermission.





Mr. Cunningham giving Caley Swedenberg and Tyson Glasthe Army Reserve Scholar Athlete Award.



Academic letters were given to: (back) Mark Collett,
Jaqcue L'Heureux, Clay Stevens, (front)
Kayla Johansen, Sarah Wolfe, Johanna Saeger,
and Amber Fuehrer. Others receiving letters and
not pictured were: Jennifer McKillip, Brady Hanquist,
and Jen Werner.



Jenny Beck receiving some post-season honors from Mr. Walford.

Coaches, sponsors, and administrators use All-Activities Night as a time to hand out awards and post

season honors to the talented students that have earned them. With the busy year that the students of High Plains Community Schools have had there were many presentations made. The night was a good time for members of the communities to see what the students in the area are doing for the activities as well as in the classroom.

The night ended with the tapping of National Honor Society Members and that induction ceremony.



Students waiting for their name to be called so they can stand and be recognized.



Clint Church recognized for his State Championship in Wrestling by Mr. Manstedt.

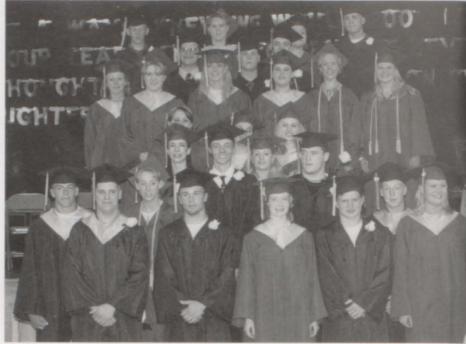


Mr. Hess handing Erin Garrett her MVP Award for Band.

Graduation

raduation took place on Sunday, J May 20, 2001, at High Plains Community School. Twenty-eight seniors were presented their diploma's and will go down in history as the first graduating class of High Plains. Due to the merger 2 valedictorians and salutatorians were named from the respective school districts. Clay Stevens and Caley Swedenburg were Valedictorians and Salutatorians were Amber Fuehrer and Johanna Saeger. These young people shared memories and words of farewell to their classmates and the audience. Emotions ran high from the time the seniors entered

the gym, during songs sung, roses being presented to parents and then again as they exited. But were released with silly string as the seniors formed the reception line.



CLASS OF 2001 pause for one last group picture below leaving the High Plains Community High School.

Jason Garrett and Sarah Wolfe



were the Junior Marshalls.

together.

Above: These people handed out programs. Mitch Hoffer, Heather Bittinger, Jacque L'Heureux, and Travis Blase.

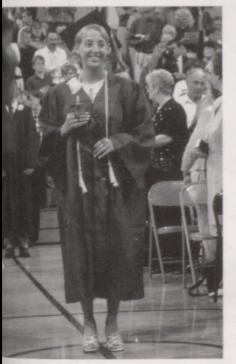
Right: The senior girls looking nervous and excited posing for one of their last pictures



Left: Johanna Saeger, Salutatorian, makes her way up the aisle. Below: A group of seniors gather to sing "Wherever You Go" for their graduation.









Left: Amber Fuehrer, Salutatorian, smiles at her parents as she enters the

Above: Clay Stevens, Valedictorian, shares a few memories of his 13 years with the crowd.

Right: Crystal Lindburg greets her classmates with silly string after the ceremony.



Left: Senior guys posing for one of their last pictures together.

Above: Caley Swedenburg, Valedictorian, receives her diploma from Brian Samuelson, board president.



Parent Dedications

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You have always made us so proud of you. May God bless you as you build your future. We will always be here for you.

> We Love You! Mom, Dad, Tali, Niki & Logan

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Jill & Shane

Blondie - Your beautiful smile has brought years of joy to our lives and to so many other people. The kindness shown to others and positi attitude will lead you through the years to come. Keep reaching for 1 stars and know we will always be there for you. And most of all, remember with God, All things are possible. Love you, Dad, Mom, & Ashill

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you too!



The Things we feel so deeply Are the hardest things to say. But Lisa, We Love & Miss you More & More Each day. Memories are Forever, That may be true-But we never wanted Memories, We only wanted You! If all The world was ours to give, We would give it Yes, & More-To see you coming up the steps And Walking thru the door. To hear your voice, to see your smile, To hold you tight for a little while. In life we loved you dearly, In death we love you still-In our hearts you hold a place No one can ever fill. It broke our hearts to lose you But you did not go alone, For part of us went with you The Night God called you home

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LISA.....

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Dear Lisa,

We thank God for every precious moment we had with you. You were the little girl we prayed for and God chose to give us a very special Angel to lend us for a little while. Oh Lisa, You filled our Hearts with so much Joy! -Was there anything that you couldn't do?

I can still hear Jeremy when he saw you for the very first time saying so softly & proudly & in a tone of amazement, "She's Beeaauutiful." It has hurt so much not being able to watch you be a part of your Senior Class this year -and seeing how you made an impact on so many lives, we can only wonder what Bigger Plans God had in mind for you. Lisa, Words cannot begin to tell you how much we miss you. It has been so hard living each day without you, but with our deep faith in God, "We know there'll come a time-When we'll hold you close, No more tears to cry. 'Cause we'll have forever-But for now-it's so hard to say Good-bye."

We Love You Always & Forever, Mom & Dad Jeremy, Jason & Lindsay

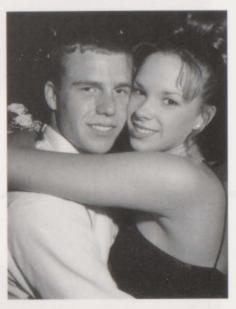
Lisa, You had so many Hopes & Dreams,
But we know you got your Mansion
In the Sky & We can just see you looking
down & saying, "Look Mom & Dad! - I DID IT!!"



We'll Keep You Close as Always-It won't even seem you've gone. 'Cause our Hearts in Big & Small Ways Will Keep the Love that Keeps us Strong!!









Christa,



It has been a wonderful experience watching you grow from a beautiful baby to a beautiful young woman. We are so proud of the person you have

grown to be. Although it is sad to see this stage of your life end, we are excited about what the future holds for you. You have the dedication and determination to make all your dreams come true! We love you!

Mom and Dad, Cameron, Holly and Caryn







Congratulations, Johanna!

Our hearts simply cannot contain the enormous amount of love and pride we have for you! Your scholastic ambitions and accomplishments are like the frosting on a lovely cake. Your sweet disposition and caring nature are expressed constantly on your glowing face and genuine smile that truly

reflects "The joy of the Lord is your strength!" You've always been to us what your name means -- God's gracious gift, and now all too soon we realize that it's time to share you with the rest of the world. Thank you for the sunshine that you put into our lives with your zest for love, laughter and song. May the Lord continue His blessings and guidance throughout your life as you spread your sunshine around!

With love.

Dad, Mom, Paul, Andrew, & Owen



"If a man does not keep pace with his companions perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music he hears, however measured or far away."

Henry David Thoreau

Mark

Your positive attitude, graciousness, and delightful humor make you so special to us. We are proud of your accomplishments and we wish you success and happiness.

Love
Dad & Mom
Tim & Cathy
Matt & Stephanie



"This above all: To thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not be false to any man."

Hamlet - Act I Scene 3



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Levi

We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. You are honest, hard working, and have a terrific sense of humor. We love you. God's blessings to you in whatever you do.

Love,

Dad, Mom, Jacob & Natalie



Melissa





You have been a joy to watch grow up. We are proud of your accomplishments through high school. We wish you God's blessings in your future.

Love, Dad, Mom, Laura and Aaron Psalm 55:22

TASHA



We know your strong-willed determination will help make your dreams come true. You have been relia and responsible toward your family and friends and we very proud of you.

Wherever you may be, we will always be there you. You are a special gift from God and we all love yo very much! May Christ be with you always.

Mom, Dad, Joshua, Cody & Cheyanne

Paige



Congratulations -

You have grown into a wonderful young lady. May God continue to bless and guide you on the roads you choose. We love you!

Pad, Mom, Carol & Summer

Congratulations Class of 2001

You will be known for the very first class graduating from HIGH PLAINS COMMUNITY SCHOOL What a privilege and honor to go down in history with that label. We hope your year was a rememberable one and you take with you lots of special memories from High Plains Community. May the Lord's Blessing be with you as you venture out in the 'real world's





Kayla,

We are so proud of you. You have accomplished many things. Always believe in yourself and continue to aim for the stars. May all your dreams come true. God bless you in all that you do.

We love you! Dad, Mom and Lindsey



Stay on the right course, and someday you will be able to look back on your life's work with satisfaction!

You give
us great
satisfaction,
you make us
proud, and we
love you dearly!

Mom, Dad, & Aly



Crystal

You are a "Super Woman" with a song in your heart and so much faith and happiness!
We love you and are so proud of you!

Love and prayers,

Dad, Mom, Levi & Hana





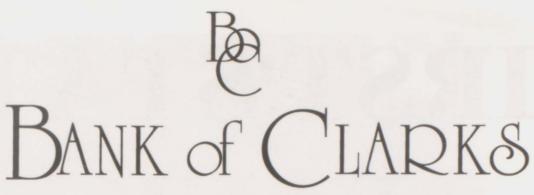
Clay,

We're proud of how you've "played your cards".

Stay in the game and keep up the good work!

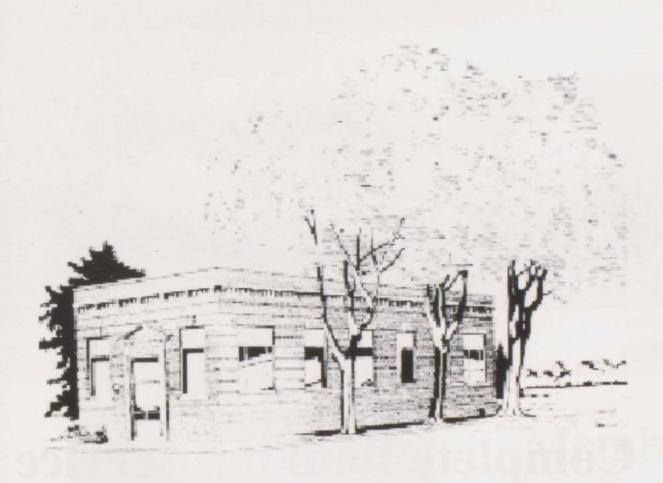
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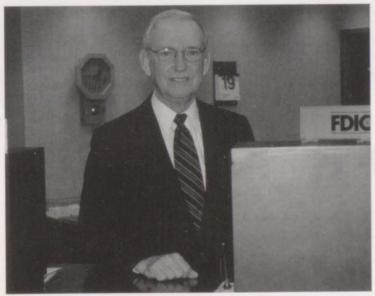
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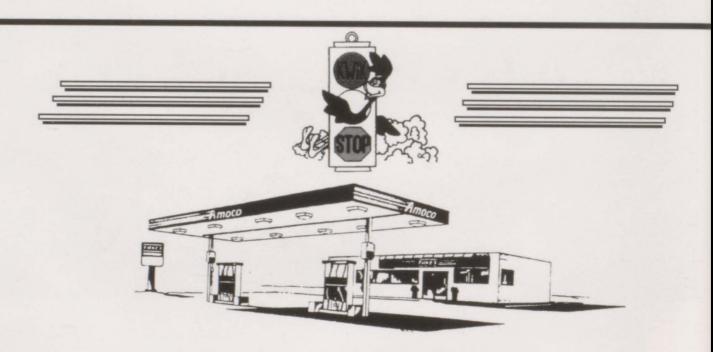
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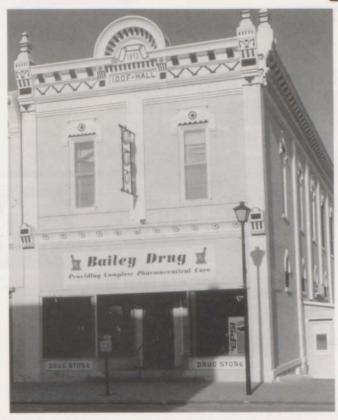


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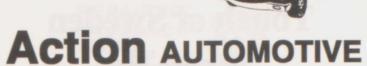


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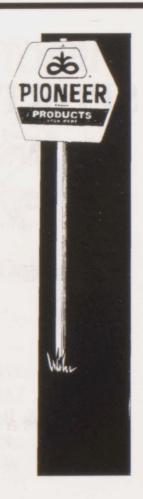
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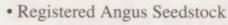
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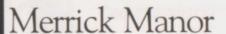
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Plans for the first year of school at High Plains Community started in the winter of 2000. Teachers, administrators, and staff got together to begin plans for curriculum, books, and room arrangements. Here Mr. Gray and Mr. Burton talk while Mr. Buller and Mr. Gilson hand out information to the teachers in the gym at Clarks.



Mr. Gilson greets the high school students on the first day school at High Plains Community. Introduction of teach were made and of course rules were covered. But, mor importantly he told them they were special being the studer this newly formed school district and how they could make a great year with their own attitude and approach to the year





Mrs. Bankson and Mr. Buller read to elementary students Dr. Suess' Birthday.

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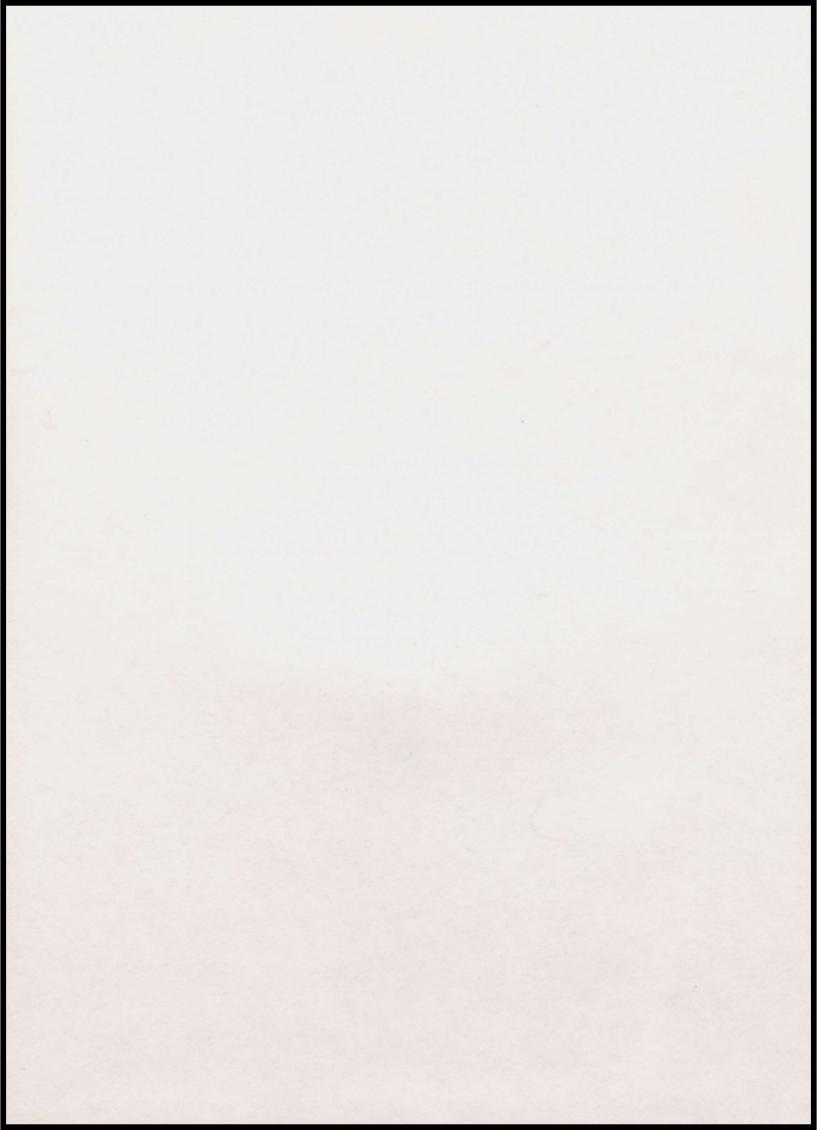
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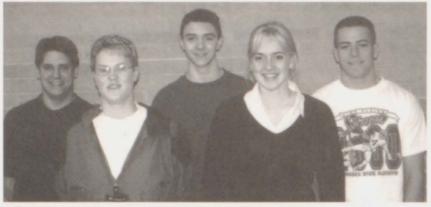
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Counting the Changes

by Jenny Rystrom & Kate Garey

The beginning of a new school year and a new school has brought new changes and challenges to he High Plains Community Schools and their communities. With the consolidation of Polk-Hordville and Clarks, we have been able to meet new people and make new friends. The consolidation also has given us he advantage of combining the two schools, activities, and organizations to have a variety of things to keep he students and also the teachers busy.

Softball and Golf are the newest sports introduced to High Plains. Softball was started as a group of girls showed interest in playing the sport due to the fact that so many girls would be out for volleyball. A schedule was made in the late summer and their season took off. A Golf team was formed during the school year after a survey was done showing interest for the sport. Both boys and girls were allowed to participate in the spring, when the boys season is held. Sports that continued their tradition from both schools were: Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Wrestling, and Track.

The new school has also continued previous activities and organizations from the two schools. Quiz Bowl, Brain Strom, FCCLA, FFA, Student Council, and Flag Corp for the Band. Students found these

opportunities fun to be involved in.

One of the biggest changes for the students this year brought about larger numbers of students in each grade. Classes were split because of the increased amount of students and room size, so classmates found themselves without all of the other class members together in their required classes. They also had to get use to new teachers.

With the change in schools, there is always going to be complaints and new ways of doing things. One of the main complaints of the school year was the parking lot. Due to the increase number of students and bad parking habits, the school had to add additional space to accommodate the number of cars driven to school each day. A new parking area was added behind the school across from the shop. Another complaint during the year was the crowded hallways at the high school. The one hallway with locker on both sides was very crowded within seconds after the bells ran. Students had to be patience and remember that talking to your friends needed to be done some other time then between classes. Stopping in the hall, to say hi to someone, caused major traffic jams. Towards the end of the year, an intercom system was put in at the Polk buildings. It was a great convenience that aided the communication process between classrooms and offices.

One year has gone by at High Plains Community Schools. It was full of adjustments, getting to know new people, changes in the way things were done, and new opportunities for students. It was just the beginning to a school system that will continue to bring about great things for the future and more challenges for the students.

Colophon

This 2001 High Plains Community Storm yearbook was produced by the Yearbook staff. Walsworth Publishing Company in Marceline, Missouri printed the book. Greg Adams, from Lincoln, was the sales representative. It was produced on the computer using PageMaker and the pages were disk submitted to the factory for printing. A variety of layout styles were used throughout out the book. The type set for the body was Times. Body copy was 12-point, captions were 10-point and headlines were a variety of sizes and type sets. The paper stock used for the book was 80-pound enamel.

Pictures used were taken by the yearbook staff and other interested students. Processing was done through various stores. The underclassmen photos were taken by Life-Touch, the group sports pictures were taken by GoodLife Photo and the

yearbook staff. Senior portraits were taken by a variety of photography studios in the area.

There were 150 book printed, each containing 96 pages. Prices for the yearbook was \$23, without a name printed on the cover, and \$25, with a name. Yearbook staff members were: Mark Collett, Levi Ericksen, Erin Garrett, Kate Garey, Brandon Hanquist, Jenny Rystrom, Brad Warnick and advisor Linda Gilson.

We would like to thank all the students, faculty, administrators and parents for their cooperation for allowing photos to be taken of them throughout the year and for purchasing this yearbook and/or ads. Your support of the school is greatly appreciated.

